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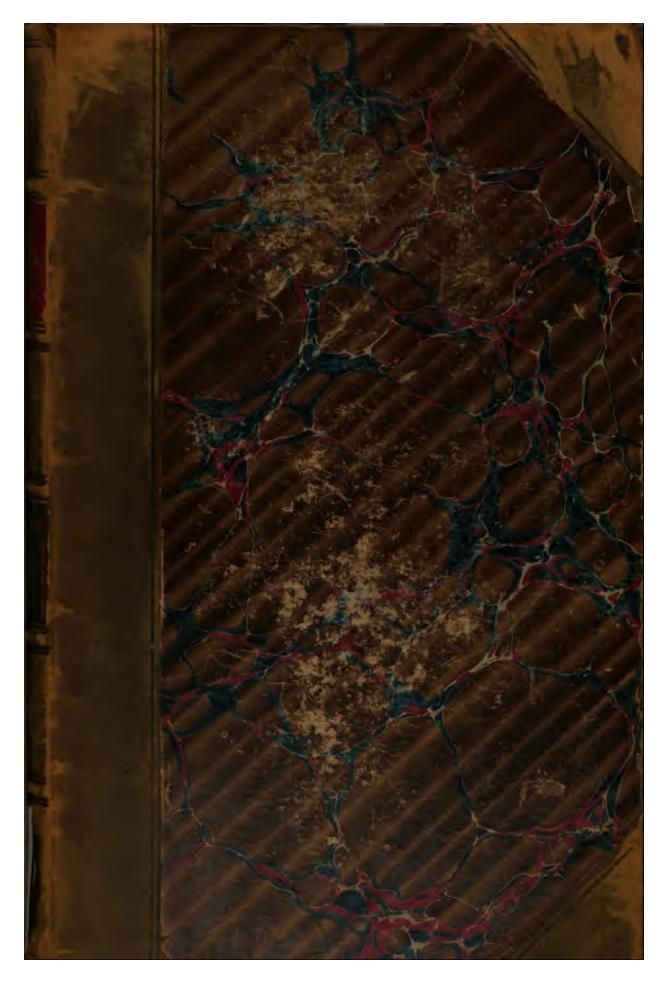
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[24th February 1837.]

WHEREAS Two Acts were passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for registering Births, Deaths, 6&7W. 4.c. 86. " and Marriages in England, and An Act for Marriages in England; 6&7W.4. c. 85. ' and by reason of the Provisions therein contained the said Acts ' would come into force on the First Day of March now next ' ensuing ; but it is expedient that the full Operation of the same ' should be further delayed :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That, subject to the Proviso herein-after contained, the How recited said Two Acts respectively shall be construed as if the Words Acts shall be "last Day of June" had been inserted in the said Acts instead certain Dates. of the Words "First Day of March", in every Place where the last-mentioned Words are found in the said Acts respectively: Provided always, that the Registrar of every Diocese shall, Proviso. within Fifteen Days after the First Day of March now next ensuing, make out and send, through the Post Office, directed to the Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages at his Office, a List of all Chapels belonging to the Church of England within that Diocese wherein Marriages may be solemnized according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, as if this Act had not been passed.

II. And be it enacted, That notwithstanding any thing in the First Quarterly said Acts contained, or either of them, the first certified Copies of all the Entries of Births and Deaths, or first Certificate that there has been no Birth or Death registered in the Register be in October. Book to be kept by any Registrar of Births and Deaths, and the first certified Copy of all the Entries of Marriages, or first А Certificate

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Certificate that there has been no Marriage entered in the Register Book kept by any Rector, Vicar, Curate, Registrar of Marriages, Registering Officer of the Society of Friends, or Secretary of a Synagogue, shall be made and given to the Superintendent Registrar in the Month of *October* now next ensuing, and shall contain and certify all the Entries made up to the Time at which the same shall be so certified to be a true Copy, or that there have been no Entries up to that Time, as the Case may be.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed by any Act passed in this Session of Parliament.

CAP. II.

An Act to amend an Act passed in the Seventh Year of His present Majesty, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in *Ireland*.

[24th February 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws ' relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in · Ireland, it is amongst other things enacted, that it shall not ' be lawful for any Grand Jury of any County, County of a ' City, or County of a Town (except the County and City of ' Dublin), at any Assizes, to make any Presentment (save and ' except in the Cases in the said Act specially reserved and excepted) for the Execution of any Public Work whatsoever, ' or for raising any Money, unless under the Authority and ' by virtue of the Provisions of the said Act: And whereas since the passing of the said Act Doubts have been entertained • whether certain Presentments can be legally made by the several "Grand Juries in Ireland at the next Spring Assizes, the Pre-' sentment Sessions at which Application should have been * made for such Presentments not having been appointed or held ' under the said recited Act: And whereas it is expedient that ' such Doubts should be removed, and that the said Act should ' in other respects be amended :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Grand Juries of each County, County of a City, and County of a Town in Ireland, at the next Spring Assizes, to make Presentments in the same Manner as they would have been authorized to do in case the several previous Presentment Sessions for their respective Counties, necessary in that Behalf, had been appointed and held and the several Applications thereat made under the Provisions

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V. 'And whereas by the said recited Act of the last Session 'of Parliament it is amongst other things enacted, that no Pre-'sentment for any Fever Hospital or Dispensary established by 'private Subscriptions or Donations shall be made in case it 'shall appear that the Salary of the Medical Attendant during 'the last Year amounted to One Half of the Sum to which 'the Subscriptions, Donations, and the Sum presented would 'amount: And whereas the said Enactment hath been found 'inconvenient;' be it therefore enacted, That the said Enactment shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for any Two Magistrates, who, in the Absence of the Coroner of any County, may have held any Inquest relative to the Death of any Person, and before whom any Physician, Surgeon, Apothecary, Chemist, or other Person practising Medicine or Surgery shall, in obedience to a Summons from such Magistrates, attend and be examined as a Witness at such Inquest, to grant such Witness an Order, signed by such Magistrates, upon the Treasurer of the County wherein such Inquest shall be held, for such Sum, not exceeding Three Pounds, as to such Magistrates shall seem fit; and the Amount of all such Payments shall be presented in the same Manner as any Sums which Coroners are by the said recited Act authorized to grant to Medical Witnesses; provided that such Magistrates shall certify, as the Coroner is directed, the Amount and Particulars of all such Sums to the Presentment Sessions, and that such Payment shall have been approved thereat.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Power of any Judge of Assize to order and of Grand Juries to present, under the Provisions of the said Act, any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for the Maintenance of deserted Children, shall extend to Cases where any Child shall have been left exposed and deserted before the passing of the said Act: Provided always, that such Presentment shall be applied for and levied and paid in the Manner by the said Act particularly directed.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the County Treasurers of the Cities and Towns in the Fifth and Sixth Classes of the Schedule marked (S.) to the said recited Act annexed shall (except in those Cases where the Grand Juries of such Cities and Towns shall, with the Consent of the Court, determine on paying such Officers by a Poundage on their Receipts,) be paid and remunerated Grand Juries (Ireland).

munerated for their respective Duties, Services, and Expences by annual Salaries only, payable half-yearly at each Assizes by equal Moieties, and not exceeding the Amount respectively limited in the said Schedule as the Salary of the Clerks of the Peace in the same Cities and Towns in each of the said Classes; and the Grand Juries of such Cities and Towns at each Assizes shall and may present (without previous Application to Presentment Sessions) for each such Treasurer, to be raised off the County at large, the Moiety of such annual Salary: Provided Proviso. always, that in case of any negligent or insufficient Discharge of Duty by any such Treasurer, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Grand Jury of any such City or Town, with the express Sanction of the Court, but not otherwise, to present any Sum or Sums less in the whole than the Moiety of the annual Salary hereby specified to be paid to such Treasurer, or to withhold or refuse to make any Presentment whatever for such Treasurer.

IX. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff of each County in One Freeholder Ireland, in which there are not Ten Baronies or Half Baronies, or Lesseholder shall, in framing the Panel of Persons summoned to serve on Barony or Half. the Grand Jury of such County at each Assizes, after the passing Barony to be of this Act, observe the Rule herein-after following; (that is placed first on to say,) he shall place first on such Panel for each Barony or Grand Jury Panel in Half Barony in such County the Name of some Person having Counties having in such Barony or Half Barony Freehold Lands of the yearly less than Ten Value of Fifty Pounds and upwards, or Leasehold Lands of the Half Baronies. yearly Value of One hundred Pounds over and above the Amount of Rent payable out of or for such Leasehold Lands, so that as far as can be One fit and competent Person, having Lands of the Value aforesaid, and resident in each Barony, if the same can be found therein respectively, shall be placed upon such Panel; and having in such Manner selected such One fit and proper Person for each Barony and Half Barony, the Sheriff shall complete the said Panel as now by Law authorized and directed, and the Persons taken from the Panel so framed shall be and constitute the Grand Jury or Inquest of such County; any thing in any Writ, Precept, or Venire facias expressed or directed, or any Law, Statute, Usage, or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding, and as if such Grand Jury were altogether composed of Freeholders: Provided always, that no Presentment Proviso. or Indictment made or found by any Grand Jury shall be liable to be traversed, quashed, or in any Manner impeached by reason of the Grand Jury not being selected as aforesaid; but any Sheriff Sheriff liable of such County who shall wilfully omit or neglect to follow the to Fine for Rule hereby made for the Selection of the Grand Jury shall be liable, on a Complaint made to the Judge of Assize, to be fined such Sum as to such Judge shall seem proper.

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X. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases in which, Commissioners under the Powers vested in them by Law in that Behalf, the of Public Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland shall agree with any execute certain A3. Grand

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Works, or permit the Grand Jury to execute them. Cap. 2.

Grand Jury to grant one Moiety of the Expence of any Road or other Public Work, on such Grand Jury securing the Payment of the other Moiety thereof by Presentment, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Commissioners either to execute the said Work by Persons employed by them, or to permit such Grand Jury to execute the same in the Manner required by the said recited Act for other Public Works of the like Nature: Provided always, that it shall not be lawful for such Grand Jury in any Case to make a Presentment for Payment of such Moiety, except after and upon an Application for such Work duly made to and approved at a Presentment Sessions in the Manner required by the said Act.

XI. And be it further enacted, That whenever the said Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland shall, under the Provisions of the said Act of the Sixth and Seventh of William the Fourth, or of the Act of the First and Second of William the Fourth, intituled An Act for the Extension and Promotion of Public Works in Ireland, have undertaken the Repair or Maintenance of any public Road, it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners at all Times thereafter to exercise all and every the same Powers and Authorities which are now vested in the Surveyor of any County, or the Contractor for any Road, under and by virtue of the said Act of the Sixth and Seventh of William the Fourth, or otherwise howsoever, or as the said Commissioners by the Act of the Sixth of George the Fourth, Chapter One hundred and one, intituled An Act to provide for the repairing, maintaining, and keeping in repair certain Roads and Bridges in Ireland, as far as the said Commissioners may consider the same or any of them necessary for the Preservation and good Order of such Roads, and the Removal of all Nuisances thereon, as also for the Purpose of obtaining Materials for such Repairs or Maintenance which they shall have so undertaken.

XII. 'And whereas Doubts have existed whether in Counties 'where the Grand Jury Cess is applotted upon both Lands and 'Houses, the High Constables or other Collectors of Grand 'Jury Cess, in preparing certain Returns to be by them made and delivered to the Secretary of the Grand Jury, pursuant to the Directions of the said recited Act, ought to include in 'such Returns the Names of Persons occupying Houses;' be it enacted, for the Removal of such Doubts, That in such Counties as aforesaid the High Constables or other Collectors of Grand Jury Cess shall, in preparing said Returns, include therein the Names of Persons in actual Occupation of Houses, in the same Manner in all respects as by the said recited Act they are directed to proceed in framing such Returns with respect to other Persons chargeable with Grand Jury Cess on account of other Property.

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XIII. · And

Commissioners of Public Works may exercise the Powers now vested in County Surveyors, &c. 1 & 2 W. 4. c. 33. Jec. 2 + 5 / c 50 ol 2

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Collectors to include Occupiers of Houses in their Returns in Cases where Grand Jury Cess is applotted.

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XIII. ' And whereas by the said recited Act it is amongst. Collector not • other things enacted, that the Grand Jury of every County shall at each Assizes appoint a proper Person resident in the Barony. Barony to be High Constable or Collector thereof: And • whereas the said Enactment has been found inconvenient, so ' far as it requires that the High Constable or Collector shall " reside within the Barony;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall not be necessary that the Person so appointed to collect shall actually reside within the Barony, provided it shall appear to the Magistrates and Rate-payers assembled at the Sessions of the Barony, and to the Grand Jury, that his usual Place of Residence is sufficiently contiguous thereto; any thing in the said recited Act to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding.

XIV. 'And whereas in the said recited Act it is enacted, ' that it shall be lawful for the several Grand Juries in Ireland ' and they are thereby required at each Assizes to appoint by Sessions to be Presentment certain Places within their respective Counties, at Discretion of viz., One in each Barony or Half Barony, where, and certain ' Times when, Presentment Sessions shall be successively holden previous to the next Assizes for such Counties respectively, for the Purposes set forth in said recited Act; and said recited 'Act enacts, that such Presentment shall appoint the last ' Meeting of such Sessions to be holden in the County Court ' House : And whereas in many Counties in Ireland the County ' Court House is not centrally situated in regard to the County;' be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the several Grand Juries and they are hereby required to appoint by Presentment the last Meeting of such Sessions to be holden either in the County Court House or such other Court House or Place as they may deem most conveniently situated for the Purpose; and the Presentment Sessions for the County at large shall be holden there, any Words in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

XV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Grand Jury Grand Jury to re-present any such Sums of Money as now are or at any Time hereafter shall be unpaid or in arrear to be levied out of any Denomination Barony, County of a City or Town, from the Lands to be raised and levied on such Denomination Barony, County accrued. of a City or Town, or on any Part or Portion thereof, upon which the same was originally required by the Treasurer's Warrant to be levied; and such Sums of Money so re-presented shall be levied in the same Manner, and subject to the same Rules, Regulations, Provisions, and Powers, as any other Sums of Money presented by any Grand Jury.

XVI. ' And whereas the Time limited by the said recited Contractors to · Act for lodging with the Secretary of Grand Jury the Cer-' tificates of the due Execution of Works contracted for, or of County Sur-

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Repeal of so much of former 6 Act as requires 6 the Necessity of Repairs in 6 Cases of Acci-6 dent to be 6 notified by 6 County Sur-6 veyor. 6

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Recited Act 6 & 7 W. 4. c. 116. (except as hereby altered) and this Act to be construed together.

Act to extend only to Ireland.

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^c said Act required to obtain from the County Surveyor previous ^c to applying for Payment, has been found inconvenient; and ^c it is expedient to amend the said Act in that respect;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be sufficient for such Contractors, and they are hereby required, to produce such Certificates as aforesaid at the Sessions at which they may apply for Payment; any thing in the said Act requiring such Certificates to be procured and lodged at any previous Time to the contrary notwithstanding.

XVII. 'And whereas by the said recited Act Two Justices of the Peace at Petty Sessions are empowered to order Sums not exceeding a certain Amount to be expended in repairing 6 any Bridge or Road or Pier or Quay which may be suddenly 6 damaged, and the Repairs of which cannot be delayed until ' the next Assizes without Prejudice to the Public, as in the 6 said Act mentioned, but it is by the said Act required that ' the Necessity of such Repairs should be notified to such ' Justices by the County Surveyor: And whereas it is expedient ' to dispense with such previous Notification;' be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said Act as requires a previous Notification of the Necessity of such Repairs as aforesaid on the Part of the County Surveyor to such Justices shall be and the same is hereby repealed: Provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to dispense with the Certificate of the County Surveyor, to be given after the Execution of the Work, that the Money appears to have been faithfully and honestly expended pursuant to the Order made by such Justices.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the said recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in *Ireland*, shall continue in full Force and Effect, save and except so far as the same is expressly repealed or altered by this Act; and that the said recited Act and this Act shall be construed together as One Act to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

XIX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall only extend to that Part of the United Kingdom called *Ireland*.

XX. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present Session of Parliament. An Act for transferring to the Commissioners of the Admiralty all Contracts, Bonds, and other Securities entered into with the Postmaster General in relation to the Packet Service. [18th March 1887.]

WHEREAS it has been deemed expedient that the Superintendence and Management of the Business relating to ' the Packets and other Vessels employed in conveying the ' Mails and Letters by Sea should be transferred from the · Department of the Postmaster General to that of the Com-' missioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of ' the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and it is ' therefore become necessary, for the better Security of the ' Public, to provide for the Transfer to the said Commis-' sioners of all the Interests, Powers, and Authorities at present ' existing in the Postmaster General, by virtue of any Con-' tracts, Bonds, and other Securities taken in his Department, ' as far as relates to the Packet Service and to the Persons ' employed therein :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act all the Powers and Interests, Powers, and Authorities at present existing in the Authorities at Postmaster General under any Contract or Contracts entered in the Postinto with him or any of his Predecessors in Office, or with master General any Person or Persons on his or their Behalf, by any Body under any Con-tract for the Corporate or Company, or Person or Persons, for the Con- Conveyance by veyance by Sea of Mails and Letters by Steam Boats or other Sea of Mails Ships or Vessels, or under any Bond or Bonds given for the and Letters transferred to due Execution of any such Contracts, and also under any Bond the Admiralty. or other Security entered into by any Agent, Officer, or other Person hitherto employed under the said Postmaster, or entered into by any of the Sureties of any such Persons, either for the due Execution of any such Contract, or for the due Execution of the Duty of any such Agent, Officer, or other Person employed as aforesaid, shall be transferred to and vested in the said Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid for the Time being, and shall be acted on, enforced, and carried into effect by such Commissioners in the same Manner as if they had been named in the same Contracts, Bonds, and Securities respectively instead of the Postmaster General; and all and every the Orders and Directions of the said Commissioners shall be as fully observed, obeyed, and performed by the Contractors, and by the said Agents and Officers respectively, as if the same had proceeded from and been issued and given by the Postmaster General.

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An Act to continue, until the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Powers of the Commissioners for inquiring concerning Charities in England and Wales. [18th March 1837.] WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled 5&6W.4.c.71. ' An Act for appointing Commissioners to continue the Inquiries ' concerning Charities in England and Wales until the First Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven: And ' whereas the Commissioners appointed under and by virtue of ' the said Act have pursued the Inquiries thereby authorized ' and directed, and have made Reports of their Proceedings; ⁶ but further Time is required for enabling them to complete ' their Inquiries:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Act shall be and the same is hereby continued from the Expiration thereof until the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

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CAP. V.

An Act for amending an Act of His late Majesty, for restricting the Punishment of Leasing-making, Sedition, and Blasphemy, in Scotland.

[18th March 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, ' intituled An Act for restricting the Punishment of Leasing-' making, Sedition, and Blasphemy, in Scotland; whereby, upon 'a Recital "that it is expedient that the Punishment of the ' Crimes of Leasing-making, Sedition, and Blasphemy, as known ' in the Law of Scotland, should be restricted, and that these ' Crimes should be punished in the same Manner as such ' Crimes would be punished if committed in England," it was ' (among other things) enacted, " that if any Person shall hence-' forth be convicted of any of the aforesaid Crimes, such Person ' shall be liable to be punished only by Fine and Imprisonment, ' or both, at the Discretion of the Court before which such ' Person shall be tried"; and it was by the said recited Act ' further enacted, "that if any Person after being so convicted ' shall offend a Second Time, and be thereof lawfully convicted, ' such Person may, on such Second Conviction, be adjudged, ' at the Discretion of the Court, either to suffer the Punishment

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• of Fine or Imprisonment, or both, or to be banished from the United Kingdom and all other Parts of His Majesty's Do-' minions for such Term of Years as the Court in which such · Conviction shall take place shall order": And whereas an · Act was passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His ' late Majesty King George the Fourth and First Year of the "Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to repeal so 11 G. 4.& • much of an Act of the Sixtieth Year of the Reign of His late 1 W.4. c. 73. ' Majesty King George the Third, for the more effectual Prevention ' and Punishment of blasphemous and seditious Libels, as relates ' to the Sentence of Banishment for the Second Offence, and to provide ' some further Remedy against the Abuse of publishing Libels, ' whereby so much and such Parts of the said Act of the Six-' tieth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the 'Third as related to the Sentence of Banishment for the ' Second Offence was wholly repealed: And whereas it is ' expedient that the Punishment of the Crimes of Leasing-' making, Sedition, and Blasphemy under the Law of Scotland ' should be in like Manner restricted, and that these Crimes ' should be punished in the same Manner in Scotland as they ' would be punished if committed in *England* :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much and such Parts of the So much of said recited Act of the Sixth Year of the Reign of His said late 6 G. 4. c. 47. as Majesty King George the Fourth as regard the Punishment by Punish Leasing-Majesty King George the Fourth as regard the Funishment by making, &c. by Banishment of any Person convicted a Second Time of any of Banishment, the aforesaid Crimes of Leasing-making, Sedition, and Blasphemy, repealed. in Scotland, shall be and the same are hereby repealed.

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CAP. VI.

An Act to apply the Sum of Two Millions to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and [22d.March 1837.] thirty-seven.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and ' Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the ' Supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in ' this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your ' Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned;' and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That there shall and may be There shall be issued and applied, for or towards making good the Supply applied, for the granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Year One thousand Year 1837, eight

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2,000,0001 now eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Sum of Two Millions, a Part of the Sum now remaining in the Exchequers of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or remaining to be received on the Twentieth Day of February One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, to complete the Aids granted by Parliament for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six and of antecedent Years; and the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

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An Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters. [21st April 1837.]

WHEREAS the raising or keeping a standing Army within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ire-· land in Time of Peace, unless it be with the Consent of Parliament, is against Law: And whereas it is adjudged necessary by His Majesty, and this present Parliament, that a Body of Forces should be continued, for the Safety of the United . Kingdom, the Defence of the Possessions of His Majesty's · Crown, and the Preservation of the Balance of Power in · Europe, and that the whole Number of such Forces should Number of the consist of Eighty-one thousand three hundred and eleven Men, · being Part of an Establishment of Eighty-nine thousand three hundred and forty-seven Men, exclusive of the Officers and Men belonging to the Regiments employed in the Territorial 6 Possessions of the *East India* Company, but including the • Officers and Men of the Troops and Companies recruiting for • those Regiments: And whereas no Man can be forejudged of · Life or Limb, or subjected in Time of Peace to any Kind of ^e Punishment within this Realm, by Martial Law, or in any • other Manner than by Judgment of his Peers, and according • to the known and established Laws of this Realm; yet never-• theless, it being requisite, for the retaining all the before-' mentioned Forces in their Duty, that an exact Discipline be · observed, and that Soldiers who shall mutiny or stir up Sedi-' tion, or shall desert His Majesty's Service, be brought to a ' more exemplary and speedy Punishment than the usual ' Forms of the Law will allow:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if any Person who is or shall be commissioned Crimes punishor in Pay as an Officer, or who is or shall be listed or in Pay able by Death. as a Non-commissioned Officer or Soldier, shall, at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, begin, excite, cause, or join in any Mutiny or Sedition in His Majesty's Land or Marine Forces, or shall not use his utmost Endeavours to suppress the same, or coming to the Knowledge of any Mutiny or intended Mutiny shall not, without Delay, give Information thereof to his Commanding Officer; or shall misbehave himself before the Enemy; or shall shamefully abandon or deliver up any Garrison, Fortress, Post, or Guard committed to his Charge, or which he shall be commanded to defend; or shall compel the Governor or Commanding Officer of any Garrison, Fortress, or Post to deliver up to the Enemy or to abandon the same; or shall speak Words or use any other Means to induce such Governor or Commanding Officer, or others, to misbehave before the Enemy, or shamefully to abandon or deliver up any Garrison, [No. 2. Price 2d.] B Fortress,

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Fortress, Post, or Guard committed to their respective Charge, or which he or they shall be commanded to defend; or shall leave his Post before relieved, or shall be found sleeping on his Post; or shall hold Correspondence with or give Advice or Intelligence to any Rebel or Enemy of His Majesty, either by Letters, Messages, Signs, or Tokens, in any Manner or Way whatsoever; or shall treat or enter into any Terms with such Rebel or Enemy without His Majesty's Licence or Licence of the General or Chief Commander; or shall strike or shall use or offer any Violence against his Superior Officer, being in the Execution of his Office, or shall disobey any lawful Command of his Superior Officer; or shall desert His Majesty's Service; all and every Person and Persons so offending in any of the Matters before mentioned, whether such Offence shall be committed within this Realm, or in any other of His Majesty's Dominions, or in Foreign Parts, upon Land or upon the Sea, shall suffer Death, or such other Punishment as by a Court-martial shall be awarded.

The ordinary Course of Law not to be interfered with.

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II. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to exempt any Officer or Soldier from being proceeded against by the ordinary Course of Law; and any Commanding Officer who shall neglect or refuse, when Application is made to him for that Purpose, to deliver over to the Civil Magistrate any Officer or Soldier accused of any Capital Crime, or of any Violence or Offence against the Person, Estate, or Property of any of His Majesty's Subjects, which is punishable by the known Laws of the Land, or shall wilfully neglect or refuse to assist the Officers of Justice in apprehending such Offender, shall, upon Conviction thereof in any Prosecution in any of His Majesty's Courts at Westminster, Dublin, or Edinburgh, be deemed to be ipso facto cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to have or hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in His Majesty's Service, and a Certificate thereof shall be transmitted to the Judge Advocate in London; provided that no Person, being acquitted or convicted of any Capital Crime, Violence, or Offence, by the Civil Magistrate, or by the Verdict of a Jury, shall be liable to be punished by a Court-martial for the same

otherwise than by cashiering. III. And be it enacted, That no Person whatever enlisted into His Majesty's Service as a Soldier shall be liable to be arrested or taken therefrom, by reason of the Warrant of any Justice, or other Process, for not supporting or for leaving chargeable on any Parish, Township, or Union any Wife or any Child or Children, or (except in the Case of an Apprentice) on account of any Breach of Contract, Engagement to serve or work for any Employer; and no Person enlisted as a Soldier, or serving as a Non-commissioned Officer or Drummer on the permanent Staff of the disembodied Militia, shall be liable to be taken out of His Majesty's Service by any Process or Execution whatsoever, other than for some Criminal Matter, unless an Affidavit shall be made by the Plaintiff, or some one on his

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his Behalf, for which no Fee shall be taken, before some Judge of the Court out of which such Process or Execution shall issue, or before some Person authorized to take Affidavits in such Courts, of which Affidavit a Memorandum shall, without Fee, be indorsed upon the Back of such Process, that the original Debt for which the Action has been brought or Execution sued out amounts to the Value of Thirty Pounds at least, over and above all Costs of Suit in the Action or Actions on which the same shall be grounded; and any Judge of such Court may examine into any Complaints made by a Soldier, or by his Superior Officer, and by Warrant under his Hand discharge such Soldier without Fee, he being shown to be duly enlisted, and to have been arrested contrary to the Intent of this Act, and shall award reasonable Costs to such Complainant, who shall have for the Recovery thereof the like Remedy as would have been applicable to the Recovery of any Costs which might have been awarded against the Complainant in any Judgment or Execution as aforesaid; provided that any Plaintiff, upon Notice of the Cause of Action first given in Writing to any Soldier, or left at his last Place of Residence before such Listing, may file a Common Appearance in any Action to be brought for or upon account of any Debt whatsoever, and proceed therein to Judgment and Outlawry, and have Execution other than against the Body.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty The King may to make Articles of War for the better Government of His Ma- make Articles jesty's Forces, which Articles shall be judicially taken notice of War in conby all Judges and in all Courts whatsoever; and Copies of the this Act. same, printed by the King's Printer, shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the same shall have been made and established by His Majesty, be transmitted by His Majesty's Secretary at War, signed with his own Hand and Name, to the Judge of His Majesty's Superior Courts at Westminster, Dublin, and Edinburgh respectively, and also to the Governors of His Majesty's Dominions Abroad; provided that no Person within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the British Isles, shall by such Articles of War be subject to be transported as a Felon, or to suffer any Punishment extending to Life or Limb, except for Crimes which are by this Act expressly made liable to such Transportation or to such Punishment as aforesaid, or to be punished in any Manner or under any Regulations which shall not accord with the Provisions of this Act.

V. And be it enacted, That His Majesty may from Time Constitution of to Time grant a Commission, under the Royal Sign Manual, Courts-martial. for the holding of General Courts-martial within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in like Manner as has been heretofore used; and that for bringing Offenders against the Articles of War to Justice it shall be lawful for His Majesty to erect and constitute Courts-martial within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, as well as to grant His Royal Commissions or Warrants to the Chief Governor or Governors of Iveland, the Commander of the Forces, or the Person B 2 or

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or Persons commanding in chief, or commanding for the Time being, any Body of His Majesty's Forces as well within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the British Isles, as in any of His Majesty's Garrisons and Dominions or elsewhere beyond the Seas, for convening, as well as for authorizing any Officer under their respective Command not below the Degree of a Field Officer to convene, Courts-martial, as Occasion may require, for the Trial of Offences committed by any of the Forces under their several Command, whether the same shall have been committed before or after such Officer shall have taken upon himself such Command; and any Person subject to this Act, who shall in any of His Majesty's Dominions or elsewhere commit any of the Offences for which he may be liable to be tried by Courts-martial by virtue of this Act, may be tried and punished for the same in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions where he may have come after the Commission of the Offence, as if the Offence had been committed where such Trial shall take place.

Composition of General Courtsmartial.

Powers of General Courtsmartial. Trial shall take place. VI. And be it enacted, That a General Court-martial convened in any Part of the King's Dominions, (Bermuda, the Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Colonies excepted,) or in the Settlements of the East India Company, shall consist of not less than Thirteen Commissioned Officers; if convened in Bermuda or the Bahamas, or out of the King's Dominions excepting Africa and the Australian Colonies, shall consist of not less than Seven, and in Africa and the Australian Colonies of not less than Five Commissioned Officers; and no Judgment of Death shall pass without the Concurrence of Two Thirds at the least of the Officers present; and the President shall in no Case be the Officer commanding in chief or Governor of the Garrison where the Officer shall be tried, nor under the Degree of a Field Officer, unless where a Field Officer cannot be had, nor in any Case whatsoever under the Degree of a Captain.

VII. And be it enacted, That a General Court-martial may sentence any Soldier to Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, in any public Prison, or other Place which the Court or the Officer commanding the Regiment or Corps to which the Offender belongs or is attached shall appoint, and may also di rect that such Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, or may sentence any Soldier to Corporal Punishment, not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, and Neglect of Duty; and a General Court-martial may, in addition to any such Punishment as aforesaid, sentence any Offender to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and Pension on Discharge; and whensoever any General Court-martial by which any Soldier shall have been tried and convicted of any Offence punishable with Death shall not think the Offence deserving of Capital Punishment, such Court-martial may, instead of awarding a Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, adjudge the Offender, according to the Degree of the Offence, to be transported as a Felon for Life or for

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for a certain Term of Years, or may sentence him to general Service as a Soldier in any Corps and in any Country or Place which His Majesty shall thereupon direct, or may, if such Offender shall have enlisted for a limited Term of Years, sentence him to serve for Life as a Soldier in any Corps which His Majesty shall please to direct; and the Court may, in addition to any other Punishment, sentence such Offender to forfeit all Advantage as to Increase of Pay, or as to Pension on Discharge, which might otherwise have accrued to such Offender; provided that in all Cases where a Capital Punishment shall have been awarded by a General Court-martial it shall be lawful for His Majesty, or, if in the East Indies, for the Officer commanding in chief the Forces at the Presidency to which the Offender shall belong, instead of causing such Sentence to be carried into execution, to order the Offender to be transported as a Felon, either for Life or for a certain Term of Years, as shall seem meet to His Majesty, or, if in the *East Indies*, to the Officer commanding as aforesaid.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every Paymaster or other Trialby General Commissioned Officer of His Majesty's Forces, or any Person Court-martial employed in the Ordnance or Commissariat Department, or in ment. any Manner in the Care or Distribution of any Money, Provisions, Forage, or Stores, who shall embezzle or fraudulently misapply, or be concerned in or connive at the Embezzlement, fraudulent Misapplication, or Damage of any Money, Provisions, Forage, Arms, Clothing, Ammunition, or other Military Stores belonging to His Majesty's Forces or for His Use, may be tried for the same by a General Court-martial, which may adjudge any such Offender to be transported as a Felon for Life or for any certain Term of Years, or to suffer such Punishment of Fine, Imprisonment, Dismissal from His Majesty's Service, and Incapacity of serving His Majesty in any Office, Civil or Military, as such Court shall think fit, according to the Nature and Degree of the Offence; and every such Offender shall, in addition to any other Punishment, make good at his own Expence the Loss and Damage sustained, which shall have been ascertained by such Court-martial; and the Loss and Damage so ascertained as aforesaid shall be a Debt to His Majesty, and may be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts at Westminster or in Dublin, or the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, or in any Court in His Majesty's Colonies where a Person sentenced by such Court-martial shall be resident, after the said Judgmentshall be confirmed and made known.

IX. And be it enacted, That a District or Garrison Court- Powers of Dismartial shall consist of not less than Seven Commissioned Officers, trict or Garrison except in Bermuda, the Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Courts-martial Colonies, where it may consist of not less than Five Commissioned Officers, and may sentence any Soldier to any Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, in any public Prison or other Place which such Court, or the Officer commanding the Regiment or Corps to which the Offender belongs or is attached, shall appoint, and may also direct that such Offender shall be **B** 3 kept.

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kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, or may sentence any Soldier to Corporal Punishment, not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty; and such Court may, in addition to either of the said Punishments, sentence a Soldier to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, for disgraceful Conduct,

In wilfully maining or injuring himself, or any other Soldier, at the Instance of such Soldier, with Intent to render himself or such Soldier unfit for Service:

In tampering with his Eyes :

In malingering, feigning Disease, absenting himself from Hospital whilst under Medical Care, or other gross Violation of the Rules of any Hospital, thereby wilfully producing or aggravating Disease or Infirmity, or wilfully delaying his Cure:

In purloining or selling Government Stores :

- In stealing any Money or Goods, the Property of a Comrade, of a Military Officer, or of any Military or Regimental Mess:
- In producing false or fraudulent Accounts or Returns :
- In embezzling or fraudulently misapplying Public Money entrusted to him :
- Or in committing any petty Offence of a felonious or fraudulent Nature, to the Injury of or with Intent to injure any Person, Civil or Military:
- Or for any other disgraceful Conduct, being of a cruel, indecent, or unnatural Kind :

And such Offender may be further put under Stoppages, not exceeding Two Thirds of his daily Pay, until the Amount be made good of any Loss or Damage arising out of his Misconduct; and if any Soldier shall be convicted of any such disgraceful Conduct, and shall be sentenced to Forfeiture of his Claim to Pension, the Court may further recommend him to be discharged with Ignominy from His Majesty's Service; and any such Court shall deprive a Soldier, if convicted of a Charge of habitual Drunkenness, of his Liquor when issued in Kind, or of his Allowance in lieu of Beer or Liquor, or of such Proportion thereof, or of such Portion of his additional or regular Pay, for such Period, not exceeding Two Years, as may accord with His Majesty's Articles of War, subject to Restoration on subsequent good Conduct; and in addition to any such Punishment, the Court may, if it shall think fit, sentence such Offender to Imprisonment or to Corporal Punishment; provided that in all the foregoing Cases the Sentences of a District or Garrison Court-martial shall be confirmed by the General Officer, Governor, or Senior Officer in command of the District, Garrison, Island, or Colony; and the President of every Court-martial, other than a General Court-martial, not being under the Rank of Captain, shall be appointed by the Officer convening such Court-

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Const-martial; provided that such Court-martial shall not have Power to pass any Sentence of Death or Transportation.

X. And be it enacted, That in Cases of Mutiny and gross Regimental Insubordination, or any Offences committed on the Line of Courts-martial. March, the Offence may be tried by a Regimental Court-martial, and the Sentence confirmed and carried into execution on the Spot by the Officer in the immediate Command of the Troops, provided that the Sentence shall not exceed that which a Regimental Court-martial is competent to award; and a Regimental Court-martial may sentence any Soldier to Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, for any Period not exceeding Thirty Days, and to solitary Confinement for any Period not exceeding Twenty Days; and whenever any such Court-martial shall sentence any Soldier to Imprisonment as aforesaid it may (if it shall think fit) direct that he be kept in solitary Confinement for a certain Portion or Portions of the Period of such Imprisonment: Provided always, that when such Court shall direct the Imprisonment to be part solitary and part otherwise, the whole Period of such Imprisonment, including the solitary Part thereof, shall not exceed Twenty Days; and a Regimental Court-martial may sentence any Soldier for being drunk when on or for Duty or Parade, or on the Line of March, to be deprived of a Penny a Day of his Pay for any Period not exceeding Thirty Days, in addition to any other Punishment which such Court may award.

XI. And be it enacted, That every Soldier who shall be found Marking a guilty of Desertion by a General, or District, or Garrison Court-martial, where such Findings shall be duly approved, or of Felony in any Court of Civil Judicature, shall thereupon forfeit all Advantage as to additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, in addition to any Punishment which such Court may award; and it shall be lawful for any Court-martial empowered to try the Crime of Desertion, in addition to any other Punishment, to direct that the Offender be marked on the Left Side, Two Inches below the Arm-pit, with the Letter (D.), such Letter not to be less than an Inch long, and to be marked upon the Skin with some Ink or Gunpowder, or other Preparation, so as to be visible and conspicuous, and not liable to be obliterated.

XII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Officer Powers of a commanding any District, Detachment or Portion of His Majesty's Troops which may at any Time be serving out of His Majesty's Dominions, upon Complaint made to him of any Offence committed against the Property or Person of any Inhabitant of or Resident of any such Countries, by any Person serving with or belonging to His Majesty's Armies, being under the immediate Command of any such Officer, to summon and cause to assemble a Court-martial, which shall consist of not less than Three Officers, for the Purpose of trying any such Person, notwithstanding any such Officer shall not have received any Warrant empowering him to assemble Courts-martial; and every such Court-martial shall have the same Powers in regard to summoning

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hereby authorized and required to administer to the Judge Advocate, or the Person officiating as such, the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and no Proceeding or Trial shall be had upon any Offence but between the Hours of Eight of the Clock in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon, except in Cases which require an immediate Example, and except in the East Indies, where such Proceedings or Trial may be had between the Hours of Six in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon: Provided also, that all Witnesses duly summoned by the Judge Advocate, or the Person officiating as such, or by the President of a District or Garrison Court-martial, shall, during their necessary Attendance in such Courts, and in going to and returning from the same, be privileged from Arrest, and shall, if unduly arrested, be discharged by the Court out of which the Writ or Process issued by which such Witness was arrested, or if such Court be not sitting, then by any Judge of the Court of King's Bench in London or in Dublin, or the Court of Session in Scotland, or Courts of Law in the East or West Indies or elsewhere, according as the Case shall require, upon its being made to appear to such Court or Judge, by any Affidavit in a summary Way, that such Witness was arrested in going to or returning from or attending upon such Court-martial; and that all Witnesses so duly summoned as aforesaid who shall not attend on such Courts, or attending shall refuse to be sworn, or, being sworn, shall refuse to give Evidence or to answer all such Questions as the Court may legally demand of them, shall be liable to be attached in the Court of King's Bench in London or Dublin, or the Court of Session, or Sheriff Depute or Stewarts Depute, or their respective Substitutes, within their several Shires and Stewartries in Scotland, or Courts of Law in the East or West Indies, or in any of His Majesty's Colonies, Garrisons, or Dominions in *Europe* or elsewhere respectively, upon Complaint made, in like Manner as if such Witness had neglected to attend in a Trial in any Proceeding in that Court.

XVI. And be it enacted, That no Officer or Soldier, being acquitted or convicted of any Offence, shall be liable to be tried a Second Time by the same or any other Court-martial for the same Offence, unless in the Case of an Appeal from a Regimental to a General Court-martial; and that no Finding, Opinion, or Sentence given by any Court-martial, and signed by the President thereof, shall be liable to be revised more than once; and no Witness shall be examined nor shall any additional Evidence be received by the Court on such Revision.

XVII. And be it enacted, That every Judge Advocate, or Report of Pro-Person officiating as such at a General Court-martial, or the ceedings of President of any District or Garrison Court-martial, is required to transmit, with as much Expedition as the Opportunity of Time and Distance of Place can admit, the original Proceedings and Sentence thereof to the Judge Advocate General in London, in whose Office they shall be carefully preserved; and any Person tried by a General Court-martial, or any Person in his Behalf, shall be entitled, on Demand, to a Copy of such Sentence and Proceedings

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moning and examining Witnesses, Trial of and Sentence upon Offenders, as are granted by this Act to General Courtsmartial; provided that no Sentence of any such Court-martial shall be executed until the General commanding in chief the Army to which the Division, Brigade, Detachment, or Party to which any Person so tried, convicted, and adjudged to suffer Punishment shall belong, shall have approved and confirmed the same.

XIII. And be it enacted, That in certain Cases, where it may be necessary or expedient, Officers of His Majesty's Marine Forces may sit upon Courts-martial in conjunction with Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, and such Courts-martial shall be regulated, to all Intents and Purposes, in like Manner as if they were composed of Officers of the Land Forces only, whether the Commanding Officer by whose Orders such Court-martial is assembled belongs to the Land or to the Marine Forces; and Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, and Officers in the Service of the *East India* Company, when serving together, may be associated in Courts-martial, which shall, to all Intents and Purposes, be regulated in like Manner as if consisting wholly of Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, or wholly of Officers in the Service of the East India Company; save and except that on the Trial of any Person in His Majesty's Land Forces, the Provisions of this Act, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable; and that on the Trial of any Person belonging to His Majesty's Marine Forces, the Provisions of an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament for the Regulation of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable; and on the Trial of any Officer or Soldier in the Service of the East India Company the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, to amend the Laws for punishing Mutiny and Desertion of Officers and Soldiers in the Service of the East India Company, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable, notwithstanding any Officer in the actual Service of the said Company may have a Commission from His Majestv.

Power to administer Oaths.

Proceedings of Courts-martial. XIV. And be it enacted, That all General and other Courtsmartial shall have Power and Authority and are hereby required to administer an Oath to every Witness or other Person who shall be examined before such Court in any Matter relating to any Proceedings before the same.

XV. And be it enacted, That in all Trials by General Courtsmartial to be held by virtue of this Act every Member assisting at such Trial, before any Proceeding be had thereon, shall take the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed, before the Judge Advocate or his Deputy, or Person officiating as such, and on Trials by other Courts-martial before the President of such Court, who are hereby respectively authorized to administer the same, and any sworn Member shall administer the Oath to the President; and as soon as the said Oaths shall have been administered to the respective Members, the President of the Court is hereby

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XVII. And be it enacted, That every Judge Advocate, or Report of Pro-Person officiating as such at a General Court-martial, or the ceredings of President of any District or Garrison Court-martial, is required martial. to transmit, with as much Expedition as the Opportunity of Time and Distance of Place can admit, the original Proceedings and Sentence thereof to the Judge Advocate General in London, in whose Office they shall be carefully preserved; and any Person tried by a General Court-martial, or any Person in his Behalf, shall be entitled, on Demand, to a Copy of such Sentence and Proceedings

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Proceedings (paying reasonably for the same), whether such Sentence shall be approved or not, at any Time not sooner than Six Months if the Trial took place at *Gibraltar* or in the *Mediterranean*, Three Months if at any other Station within *Europe*, and Twelve Months if elsewhere in His Majesty's Dominions; provided that such Demand as aforesaid shall have been made within the Space of Three Years from the Date of the Approval or other final Decision upon the Proceedings before such General Court-martial.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That whenever His Majesty shall intend that any Sentence of Transportation heretofore or hereafter passed by any Court-martial shall be carried into execution for the Term specified in such Sentence or for any shorter Term, or shall be graciously pleased to commute as aforesaid to Transportation any Sentence of Death passed by any such Court, the same, together with His Majesty's Pleasure thereupon, shall be notified in Writing by the Officer commanding in chief His Majesty's Forces in Great Britain and Ireland, or in the temporary Absence of such Officer by the Adjutant General, or when there shall not be any Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Forces in Great Britain and Ireland, then by the Secretary at War or his Deputy, to any Judge of the King's Bench, Common Pleas, or Exchequer in England or Ireland, and thereupon such Judge shall make an Order for the Transportation of such Offender in conformity with such Notification, and shall also do all such other Acts consequent upon the same as such Judge is authorized to do by any Act in force touching the Transportation of other Offenders; and the Person in whose Custody such Offender shall at that Time be, and all other Persons whatsoever whom the said Order may concern, shall be bound to obey and shall be assistant in the Execution thereof, and shall be liable to the same Punishment for Disobedience, or for interrupting the Execution of the same, as if the Order had been made under the Authority of any such Act as aforesaid; and every Person so ordered to be transported shall be subject to every Provision made by Law and in force concerning Persons convicted of any Crime and under Sentence of Transportation; and from the Time when such Order of Transportation shall be made every Act now in force touching the Escape of Felons, or their afterwards returning, or their being at large without Leave, shall apply to such Offender, and to all Persons aiding and abetting, contriving, or assisting in any Escape or intended Escape or the returning without Leave of any such Offender; and the Judge who shall make any Order of Transportation as aforesaid shall direct the Notification of His Majesty's Pleasure, and his own Order made thereupon, to be filed and kept of Record in the Office of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of King's Bench; and the said Clerk shall have a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence only for filing the same, and shall, on Application, deliver a Certificate in Writing (not taking more than Two Shillings and Sixpence for the same) to such Offender, or to any Person applying in his or His Majesty's Behalf.

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Behalf, showing the Christian and Surname of such Offender, his Offence, the Place where the Court was held before whom he was convicted, and the Conditions on which the Order of Transportation was given; which Certificate shall be sufficient Proof of the Conviction and Sentence of such Offender, and also of the Terms on which such Order for his Transportation was given, in any Court and in any Proceeding wherein it, may be necessary to inquire into the same.

XIX. And be it enacted, That whenever any Sentence of Transportation Transportation heretofore or hereafter passed by any Court- from the Colomartial holden in the *East Indies*, or in any Part of His Majesty's Foreign Dominions, is to be carried into execution for the Term specified in such Sentence or for any shorter Term, or when Sentence of Death has been or shall as aforesaid be commuted to Transportation, the same shall be notified by the Officer commanding in chief His Majesty's Forces at the Presidency or Station, or in his Absence by the Adjutant General for the Time being, to some Judge of one of the Supreme Courts of Judicature in the East Indies, or Chief Justice, or some other Judge, as the Case may be, in any Part of His Majesty's Foreign Dominions, who shall make Order for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of such Offender, in like Manner as for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of any other Convict; and the necessary Proceedings shall be taken, according to such Order, for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of such Offender; and all Acts in force in such Place touching other Offenders to be transported shall in all respects apply as well to the Offender himself so to be transported as to all other Persons whatsoever therein concerned.

XX. And be it enacted, That all Crimes and Offences which Offences against have been committed against any former Act for punishing former Mutiny Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army Acts may be tried under this and their Quarters, or against any of the Articles of War made Act, and established by virtue of the same, may, during the Continuance of this Act, be inquired of and punished in like Manner as if they had been committed against this Act; and every Warrant for holding any Court-martial under any former Act shall remain in full Force notwithstanding the Expiration of such Act, and all Proceedings of any Court-martial upon any Trial begun under the Authority of such former Act shall not be discontinued by the Expiration of the same; provided that no Person shall be liable to be tried and punished for any Offence against any of the said Acts or Articles of War which shall appear to have been committed more than Three Years before the issuing of the Commission or Warrant for such Trial, unless the Person accused, by reason of his having absented himself, or of some other manifest Impediment, shall not have been amenable to Justice within that Period, in which Case such Person shall be liable to be tried at any Time not exceeding Two Years after the Impediment shall have ceased.

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or Persons commanding in chief, or commanding for the Time being, any Body of His Majesty's Forces as well within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and the British Isles, as in any of His Majesty's Garrisons and Dominions or elsewhere beyond the Seas, for convening, as well as for authorizing any Officer under their respective Command not below the Degree of a Field Officer to convene, Courts-martial, as Occasion may require, for the Trial of Offences committed by any of the Forces under their several Command, whether the same shall have been committed before or after such Officer shall have taken upon himself such Command; and any Person subject to this Act, who shall in any of His Majesty's Dominions or elsewhere commit any of the Offences for which he may be liable to be tried by Courts-martial by virtue of this Act, may be tried and punished for the same in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions where he may have come after the Commission of the Offence, as if the Offence had been committed where such Trial shall take place.

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Labour, in any public Prison, or other Place which the Court or the Officer commanding the Regiment or Corps to which the Offender belongs or is attached shall appoint, and may also direct that such Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, or may sentence any Soldier to Corporal Punishment, not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, and Neglect of Duty; and a General Court-martial may, in addition to any such Punishment as aforesaid, sentence any Offender to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and Pension on Discharge; and whensoever any General Court-martial by which any Soldier shall have been tried and convicted of any Offence punishable with Death shall not think the Offence deserving of Capital Punishment, such Court-martial may, instead of awarding a Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, adjudge the Offender, according to the Degree of the Offence, to be transported as a Felon for Life or

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Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Colonies excepted,) or in the Settlements of the East India Company, shall consist of not less than Thirteen Commissioned Officers; if convened in Bermuda or the Bahamas, or out of the King's Dominions excepting Africa and the Australian Colonies, shall consist of not less than Seven, and in Africa and the Australian Colonies of not less than Five Commissioned Officers; and no Judgment of Death shall pass without the Concurrence of Two Thirds at the least of the Officers present; and the President shall in no Case be the Officer commanding in chief or Governor of the Garrison where the Officer, unless where a Field Officer cannot be had, nor in any Case whatsoever under the Degree of a Captain.

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for a certain Term of Years, or may sentence him to general Service as a Soldier in any Corps and in any Country or Place which His Majesty shall thereupon direct, or may, if such Offender shall have enlisted for a limited Term of Years, sentence him to serve for Life as a Soldier in any Corps which His Majesty shall please to direct; and the Court may, in addition to any other Punishment, sentence such Offender to forfeit all Advantage as to Increase of Pay, or as to Pension on Discharge, which might otherwise have accrued to such Offender; provided that in all Cases where a Capital Punishment shall have been awarded by a General Court-martial it shall be lawful for His Majesty, or, if in the East Indies, for the Officer commanding in chief the Forces at the Presidency to which the Offender shall belong, instead of causing such Sentence to be carried into execution, to order the Offender to be transported as a Felon, either for Life or for a certain Term of Years, as shall seem meet to His Majesty, or, if in the East Indies, to the Officer commanding as aforesaid.

VIII. And be it enacted, That every Paymaster or other Trialby General Commissioned Officer of His Majesty's Forces, or any Person Court-martial employed in the Ordnance or Commissariat Department, or in ment. any Manner in the Care or Distribution of any Money, Provisions, Forage, or Stores, who shall embezzle or fraudulently misapply, or be concerned in or connive at the Embezzlement, fraudulent Misapplication, or Damage of any Money, Provisions, Forage, Arms, Clothing, Ammunition, or other Military Stores belonging to His Majesty's Forces or for His Use, may be tried for the same by a General Court-martial, which may adjudge any such Offender to be transported as a Felon for Life or for any certain Term of Years, or to suffer such Punishment of Fine, Imprisonment, Dismissal from His Majesty's Service, and Incapacity of serving His Majesty in any Office, Civil or Military, as such Court shall think fit, according to the Nature and Degree of the Offence; and every such Offender shall, in addition to any other Punishment, make good at his own Expence the Loss and Damage sustained, which shall have been ascertained by such Court-martial; and the Loss and Damage so ascertained as aforesaid shall be a Debt to His Majesty, and may be recovered in any of His Majesty's Courts at Westminster or in Dublin, or the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, or in any Court in His Majesty's Colonies where a Person sentenced by such Court-martial shall be resident, after the said Judgmentshall be confirmed and made known.

IX. And be it enacted, That a District or Garrison Court- Powers of Dismartial shall consist of not less than Seven Commissioned Officers, trict or Garrison except in Bermuda, the Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Courts-martial Colonies, where it may consist of not less than Five Commissioned Officers, and may sentence any Soldier to any Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, in any public Prison or other Place which such Court, or the Officer commanding the Regiment or Corps to which the Offender belongs or is attached, shall appoint, and may also direct that such Offender shall be **B** 3 kept

kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, or may sentence any Soldier to Corporal Punishment, not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty; and such Court may, in addition to either of the said Punishments, sentence a Soldier to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, for disgraceful Conduct,

In wilfully maining or injuring himself, or any other Soldier, at the Instance of such Soldier, with Intent to render himself or such Soldier unfit for Service:

In tampering with his Eyes:

In malingering, feigning Disease, absenting himself from Hospital whilst under Medical Care, or other gross Violation of the Rules of any Hospital, thereby wilfully producing or aggravating Disease or Infirmity, or wilfully delaying his Cure:

In purloining or selling Government Stores :

In stealing any Money or Goods, the Property of a Comrade, of a Military Officer, or of any Military or Regimental Mess:

In producing false or fraudulent Accounts or Returns :

- In embezzling or fraudulently misapplying Public Money entrusted to him:
- Or in committing any petty Offence of a felonious or fraudulent Nature, to the Injury of or with Intent to injure any Person, Civil or Military:
- Or for any other disgraceful Conduct, being of a cruel, indecent, or unnatural Kind :

And such Offender may be further put under Stoppages, not exceeding Two Thirds of his daily Pay, until the Amount be made good of any Loss or Damage arising out of his Misconduct; and if any Soldier shall be convicted of any such disgraceful Conduct, and shall be sentenced to Forfeiture of his Claim to Pension, the Court may further recommend him to be discharged with Ignominy from His Majesty's Service ; and any such Court shall deprive a Soldier, if convicted of a Charge of habitual Drunkenness, of his Liquor when issued in Kind, or of his Allowance in lieu of Beer or Liquor, or of such Proportion thereof, or of such Portion of his additional or regular Pay, for such Period, not exceeding Two Years, as may accord with His Majesty's Articles of War, subject to Restoration on subsequent good Conduct; and in addition to any such Punishment, the Court may, if it shall think fit, sentence such Offender to Imprisonment or to Corporal Punishment; provided that in all the foregoing Cases the Sentences of a District or Garrison Court-martial shall be confirmed by the General Officer, Governor, or Senior Officer in command of the District, Garrison, Island, or Colony; and the President of every Court-martial, other than a General Court-martial, not being under the Rank of Captain, shall be appointed by the Officer convening such Court-

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X. And be it enacted, That in Cases of Mutiny and gross Regimental Insubordination, or any Offences committed on the Line of Courts-martial. March, the Offence may be tried by a Regimental Court-martial, and the Sentence confirmed and carried into execution on the Spot by the Officer in the immediate Command of the Troops, provided that the Sentence shall not exceed that which a Regimental Court-martial is competent to award; and a Regimental Court-martial may sentence any Soldier to Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, for any Period not exceeding Thirty Days, and to solitary Confinement for any Period not exceeding Twenty Days; and whenever any such Court-martial shall sentence any Soldier to Imprisonment as aforesaid it may (if it shall think fit) direct that he be kept in solitary Confinement for a certain Portion or Portions of the Period of such Imprisonment: Provided always, that when such Court shall direct the Imprisonment to be part solitary and part otherwise, the whole Period of such Imprisonment, including the solitary Part thereof, shall not exceed Twenty Days; and a Regimental Court-martial may sentence any Soldier for being drunk when on or for Duty or Parade, or on the Line of March, to be deprived of a Penny a Day of his Pay for any Period not exceeding Thirty Days, in addition to any other Punishment which such Court may award.

XI. And be it enacted, That every Soldier who shall be found Marking a guilty of Desertion by a General, or District, or Garrison Deserter. Court-martial, where such Findings shall be duly approved, or of Felony in any Court of Civil Judicature, shall thereupon forfeit all Advantage as to additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, in addition to any Punishment which such Court may award; and it shall be lawful for any Court-martial empowered to try the Crime of Desertion, in addition to any other Punishment, to direct that the Offender be marked on the Left Side, Two Inches below the Arm-pit, with the Letter (D.), such Letter not to be less than an Inch long, and to be marked upon the Skin with some Ink or Gunpowder, or other Preparation, so as to be visible and conspicuous, and not liable to be obliterated.

XII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Officer Powers of a commanding any District, Detachment or Portion of His Ma- Detachment jesty's Troops which may at any Time be serving out of His Majesty's Dominions, upon Complaint made to him of any Offence committed against the Property or Person of any Inhabitant of or Resident of any such Countries, by any Person serving with or belonging to His Majesty's Armies, being under the immediate Command of any such Officer, to summon and cause to assemble a Court-martial, which shall consist of not less than Three Officers, for the Purpose of trying any such Person, notwithstanding any such Officer shall not have received any Warrant empowering him to assemble Courts-martial; and every such Court-martial shall have the same Powers in regard to summoning

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moning and examining Witnesses, Trial of and Sentence upon Offenders, as are granted by this Act to General Courtsmartial; provided that no Sentence of any such Court-martial shall be executed until the General commanding in chief the Army to which the Division, Brigade, Detachment, or Party to which any Person so tried, convicted, and adjudged to suffer Punishment shall belong, shall have approved and confirmed the same.

XIII. And be it enacted, That in certain Cases, where it may be necessary or expedient, Officers of His Majesty's Marine Forces may sit upon Courts-martial in conjunction with Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, and such Courts-martial shall be regulated, to all Intents and Purposes, in like Manner as if they were composed of Officers of the Land Forces only, whether the Commanding Officer by whose Orders such Court-martial is assembled belongs to the Land or to the Marine Forces; and Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, and Officers in the Service of the East India Company, when serving together, may be associated in Courts-martial, which shall, to all Intents and Purposes, be regulated in like Manner as if consisting wholly of Officers of His Majesty's Land Forces, or wholly of Officers in the Service of the East India Company; save and except that on the Trial of any Person in His Majesty's Land Forces, the Provisions of this Act, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable; and that on the Trial of any Person belonging to His Majesty's Marine Forces, the Provisions of an Act passed in the present Session of Parliament for the Regulation of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable; and on the Trial of any Officer or Soldier in the Service of the *East India* Company the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, to amend the Laws for punishing Mutiny and Desertion of Officers and Soldiers in the Service of the East India Company, and the Oaths thereby prescribed, shall be applicable, notwithstanding any Officer in the actual Service of the said Company may have a Commission from His Majesty.

XIV. And be it enacted, That all General and other Courtsmartial shall have Power and Authority and are hereby required to administer an Oath to every Witness or other Person who shall be examined before such Court in any Matter relating to any Proceedings before the same.

XV. And be it enacted, That in all Trials by General Courtsmartial to be held by virtue of this Act every Member assisting at such Trial, before any Proceeding be had thereon, shall take the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed, before the Judge Advocate or his Deputy, or Person officiating as such, and on Trials by other Courts-martial before the President of such Court, who are hereby respectively authorized to administer the same, and any sworn Member shall administer the Oath to the President; and as soon as the said Oaths shall have been administered to the respective Members, the President of the Court is hereby

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hereby authorized and required to administer to the Judge Advocate, or the Person officiating as such, the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and no Proceeding or Trial shall be had upon any Offence but between the Hours of Eight of the Clock in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon, except in Cases which require an immediate Example, and except in the East Indies, where such Proceedings or Trial may be had between the Hours of Six in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon: Provided also, that all Witnesses duly summoned by the Judge Advocate, or the Person officiating as such, or by the President of a District or Garrison Court-martial, shall, during their necessary Attendance in such Courts, and in going to and returning from the same, be privileged from Arrest, and shall, if unduly arrested, be discharged by the Court out of which the Writ or Process issued by which such Witness was arrested, or if such Court be not sitting, then by any Judge of the Court of King's Bench in London or in Dublin, or the Court of Session in Scotland, or Courts of Law in the East or West Indies or elsewhere, according as the Case shall require, upon its being made to appear to such Court or Judge, by any Affidavit in a summary Way, that such Witness was arrested in going to or returning from or attending upon such Court-martial; and that all Witnesses so duly summoned as aforesaid who shall not attend on such Courts, or attending shall refuse to be sworn, or, being sworn, shall refuse to give Evidence or to answer all such Questions as the Court may legally demand of them, shall be liable to be attached in the Court of King's Bench in London or Dublin, or the Court of Session, or Sheriff Depute or Stewarts Depute, or their respective Substitutes, within their several Shires and Stewartries in Scotland, or Courts of Law in the East or West Indies, or in any of His Majesty's Colonies, Garrisons, or Dominions in *Europe* or elsewhere respectively, upon Complaint made, in like Manner as if such Witness had neglected to attend in a Trial in any Proceeding in that Court.

XVI. And be it enacted, That no Officer or Soldier, being acquitted or convicted of any Offence, shall be liable to be tried a Second Time by the same or any other Court-martial for the same Offence, unless in the Case of an Appeal from a Regimental to a General Court-martial; and that no Finding, Opinion, or Sentence given by any Court-martial, and signed by the President thereof, shall be liable to be revised more than once; and no Witness shall be examined nor shall any additional Evidence be received by the Court on such Revision.

XVII. And be it enacted, That every Judge Advocate, or Report of Pro-Person officiating as such at a General Court-martial, or the ceedings of General Courts-President of any District or Garrison Court-martial, is required martial. to transmit, with as much Expedition as the Opportunity of Time and Distance of Place can admit, the original Proceedings and Sentence thereof to the Judge Advocate General in London, in whose Office they shall be carefully preserved; and any Person tried by a General Court-martial, or any Person in his Behalf, shall be entitled, on Demand, to a Copy of such Sentence and Proceedings

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Proceedings (paying reasonably for the same), whether such Sentence shall be approved or not, at any Time not sooner than Six Months if the Trial took place at *Gibraltar* or in the *Mediterranean*, Three Months if at any other Station within *Europe*, and Twelve Months if elsewhere in His Majesty's Dominions; provided that such Demand as aforesaid shall have been made within the Space of Three Years from the Date of the Approval or other final Decision upon the Proceedings before such General Court-martial.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That whenever His Majesty shall intend that any Sentence of Transportation heretofore or hereafter passed by any Court-martial shall be carried into execution for the Term specified in such Sentence or for any shorter Term, or shall be graciously pleased to commute as aforesaid to Transportation any Sentence of Death passed by any such Court, the same, together with His Majesty's Pleasure thereupon, shall be notified in Writing by the Officer commanding in chief His Majesty's Forces in Great Britain and Ireland, or in the temporary Absence of such Officer by the Adjutant General, or when there shall not be any Commander-in-Chief of His Majesty's Forces in Great Britain and Ireland, then by the Secretary at War or his Deputy, to any Judge of the King's Bench, Common Pleas, or Exchequer in England or Ireland, and thereupon such Judge shall make an Order for the Transportation of such Offender in conformity with such Notification, and shall also do all such other Acts consequent upon the same as such Judge is authorized to do by any Act in force touching the Transportation of other Offenders; and the Person in whose Custody such Offender shall at that Time be, and all other Persons whatsoever whom the said Order may concern, shall be bound to obey and shall be assistant in the Execution thereof, and shall be liable to the same Punishment for Disobedience, or for interrupting the Execution of the same, as if the Order had been made under the Authority of any such Act as aforesaid; and every Person so ordered to be transported shall be subject to every Provision made by Law and in force concerning Persons convicted of any Crime and under Sentence of Transportation; and from the Time when such Order of Transportation shall be made every Act now in force touching the Escape of Felons, or their afterwards returning, or their being at large without Leave, shall apply to such Offender, and to all Persons aiding and abetting, contriving, or assisting in any Escape or intended Escape or the returning without Leave of any such Offender; and the Judge who shall make any Order of Transportation as aforesaid shall direct the Notification of His Majesty's Pleasure, and his own Order made thereupon, to be filed and kept of Record in the Office of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of King's Bench; and the said Clerk shall have a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence only for filing the same, and shall, on Application, deliver a Certificate in Writing (not taking more than Two Shillings and Sixpence for the same) to such Offender, or to any Person applying in his or His Majesty's Behalf.

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Behalf, showing the Christian and Surname of such Offender, his Offence, the Place where the Court was held before whom he was convicted, and the Conditions on which the Order of Transportation was given; which Certificate shall be sufficient Proof of the Conviction and Sentence of such Offender, and also of the Terms on which such Order for his Transportation was given, in any Court and in any Proceeding wherein it may be necessary to inquire into the same.

XIX. And be it enacted, That whenever any Sentence of Transportation Transportation heretofore or hereafter passed by any Court- from the Colomartial holden in the *East Indies*, or in any Part of His Majesty's Foreign Dominions, is to be carried into execution for the Term specified in such Sentence or for any shorter Term, or when Sentence of Death has been or shall as aforesaid be commuted to Transportation, the same shall be notified by the Officer commanding in chief His Majesty's Forces at the Presidency or Station, or in his Absence by the Adjutant General for the Time being, to some Judge of one of the Supreme Courts of Judicature in the *East Indies*, or Chief Justice, or some other Judge, as the Case may be, in any Part of His Majesty's Foreign Dominions, who shall make Order for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of such Offender, in like Manner as for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of any other Convict; and the necessary Proceedings shall be taken, according to such Order, for the Transportation or intermediate Custody of such Offender; and all Acts in force in such Place touching other Offenders to be transported shall in all respects apply as well to the Offender himself so to be transported as to all other Persons whatsoever therein concerned.

XX. And be it enacted, That all Crimes and Offences which Offences against have been committed against any former Act for punishing former Mutiny Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army tried under this and their Quarters, or against any of the Articles of War made Act, and established by virtue of the same, may, during the Continuance of this Act, be inquired of and punished in like Manner as if they had been committed against this Act; and every Warrant for holding any Court-martial under any former Act shall remain in full Force notwithstanding the Expiration of such Act, and all Proceedings of any Court-martial upon any Trial begun under the Authority of such former Act shall not be discontinued by the Expiration of the same; provided that no Person shall be liable to be tried and punished for any Offence against any of the said Acts or Articles of War which shall appear to have been committed more than Three Years before the issuing of the Commission or Warrant for such Trial, unless the Person accused, by reason of his having absented himself, or of some other manifest Impediment, shall not have been amenable to Justice within that Period, in which Case such Person shall be liable to be tried at any Time not exceeding Two Years after the Impediment shall have ceased.

XXI. And be it enacted, That every Soldier shall be liable Subsequent to be tried and punished for Desertion from any Corps into Enlistment no which

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which he may have enlisted, or from His Majesty's Service, although he may of right belong to the Corps from which he shall have originally deserted; and if such Person shall be claimed as a Deserter by the Corps to which he originally belonged, and be tried as a Deserter therefrom, or shall be tried as a Deserter from any other Corps into which he may have enlisted, or if he shall be tried while actually serving in some Corps for Desertion from any other Corps, every Desertion previous or subsequent to that for which he shall be under Trial, as well as every previous Conviction for any other Offence, may be given in Evidence against him; and in like Manner in the Case of any Soldier tried for any Offence whatever, any previous Convictions may be given in Evidence against him; provided that no such Evidence shall in any Case be received until after the Prisoner shall have been found guilty of such Offence, and then only for the Purpose of affixing Punishment; and provided also, that after he shall so have been found guilty, and before such Evidence shall be received, it shall be proved to the Satisfaction of the Court that he had previously to his Trial received Notice of the Intention to produce such Evidence on the same; and provided further, that the Court shall in no Case award to him any greater or other Punishment or Punishments than may by this Act and by the Articles of War be awarded for the Offence of which he shall so have been found guilty.

Apprehension of Deserters.

XXII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Constable of any Place where any Person reasonably suspected to be a Deserter shall be found, or of any adjoining Place, and if no such Constable can be immediately met with, then for any Officer or Soldier in His Majesty's Service, to apprehend or cause such suspected Person to be apprehended, and to cause him to be brought before any Justice living in or near such Place, and acting for the same or any adjoining County, who hath hereby Power to examine such suspected Person; and if by his Confession, or the Testimony of One or more Witnesses upon Oath, or by the Knowledge of such Justice, it shall appear that such suspected Person is a Soldier, and ought to be with the Corps to which he belongs, such Justice shall forthwith cause him to be conveyed to some public Prison in such Place, or if there be no public Prison in such Place, then, at the Discretion of such Justice of the Peace, to the nearest or most convenient public Prison in the same or any next adjoining. County, or to the Provost Marshal in case such Deserter shall be apprehended within the City or Liberties of *Dublin* or Places adjacent; or if such Deserter shall be apprehended by any Party of Soldiers of his own Regiment, or shall be apprehended in the Vicinity of the Head Quarters or of any Depôt of the Regiment to which he shall belong, then such Justice may deliver such Deserter to the Party of his Regiment, or may order such Deserter to be taken to the Head Quarters or Depôt of the Regiment to which he shall belong, instead of committing him to Prison; and such Justice shall transmit an Account thereof, in the Form prescribed in the Schedule annexed to this Act, to the

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the Secretary at War, specifying at the Foot thereof the Commitment to Prison, or Delivery of such Deserter to the Party of his Regiment in order for his being taken to the Head Quarters or Depôt of his Regiment, as the Case may be, to the end that such Person may be removed by an Order from the Office of the said Secretary at War, and proceeded against according to Law; and such Justice shall also send to the Secretary at War a Report stating the Names of the Persons by whom the Deserter was apprehended and secured; and the Secretary at War shall transmit to such Justice an Order for the Payment to such Persons of such Sum, not exceeding Forty Shillings, as the Secretary at War shall be satisfied they are entitled to, according to the true Intent and Meaning of this Act: Provided also, that the Fee or Reward taken by any Justice or his Clerk in respect of any Information, Commitment, or Report as aforesaid, shall in no Case exceed the Sum of Two Shillings.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That any Person who shall volun- Fraudulent tarily deliver himself up as a Deserter from His Majesty's Forces, or the embodied Militia, or the Forces of the East India Company, or who, upon being apprehended for any Offence, shall, in the Presence of the Justice, confess himself to be a Deserter as aforesaid, shall be deemed to have been duly enlisted, and to be a Soldier, and shall be liable to serve in any of His Majesty's Forces, as His Majesty shall think fit to appoint, whether such Person shall have been ever actually enlisted as a Soldier or not; and in case such Person shall not be a Deserter from the Regiment stated in such Confession he shall be liable to be punished as a Rogue and Vagabond, or may be prosecuted and punished for obtaining Money under false Pretences; and the Confession and receiving Subsistence as a Soldier by such Person shall be Evidence of the false Pretence and of the obtaining Money to the Amount of the Value of such Subsistence, and the Value of such Subsistence so obtained may be charged in the Indictment as so much Money received by such Person; and in case such Person shall have been previously convicted of the like Offence, or as a Rogue and Vagabond for making a fraudulent Confession of Desertion, such former Conviction may be alleged in the Indictment, and may be proved upon the Trial of such Person; and in such Indictment for a Second Offence it shall be sufficient to state that the Offender was at a certain Time and Place convicted of obtaining Money under false Pretences as a Deserter, or as a Rogue and Vagabond for making a fraudulent Confession of Desertion, without otherwise describing the said Offence; and a Certificate containing the Substance and Effect only (omitting the formal Part) of the Indictment and Conviction for the former Offence, purporting to be signed by the Clerk of the Court or other Officer having the Custody of the Records of the Court where the Offender was first convicted, or by the Deputy of such Clerk, or by the Clerk of the convicting Magistrates, shall, upon Proof of the Identity of the Person of the Offender, be sufficient Evidence of the First Conviction, without Proof of the Signature or official Character of the Person appearing to have

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have signed the same; and if the Person so confessing himself to be a Deserter shall be serving at the Time in any of His Majesty's Forces, he shall be deemed to be and shall be dealt with as a Deserter.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That any Recruit who shall desert prior to joining the Regiment for which he has enlisted shall, on being apprehended, and committed for such Desertion by any Justice of the Peace upon the Testimony of One or more Witnesses upon Oath, or upon his own Confession, be liable to be transferred to any Regiment or Depôt nearest to the Place where he shall have been apprehended, or to any other Regiment to which His Majesty may deem it more desirable that he should be transferred : Provided always, that all Cavalry Recruits so committed for Desertion shall be transferred to Cavalry Regiments, and Infantry Recruits to Infantry Regiments; and that such Deserters thus transferred shall not be liable to other Punishment for the Offence, nor to any other Penalty, except the Forfeiture of their personal Bounty, reserving only for them that Part of the Bounty which is applicable to and required for the Provision of Necessaries.

XXV. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall, in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions, directly or indirectly persuade any Soldier to desert, shall suffer such Punishment by Fine or Imprisonment, or both, as the Court before which the Conviction may take place shall adjudge; and every Person who shall assist any Deserter, knowing him to be such, in deserting or in concealing himself, shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That every Commissioned Officer who shall, without Warrant from One or more of His Majesty's Justices, forcibly enter into or break open the Dwelling House or Outhouses of any Person whomsoever, under Pretence of searching for Deserters, shall, upon due Proof thereof, forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That every Gaoler and Keeper of any Prison or House of Correction in every Part of His Majesty's Dominions shall, upon the Order in Writing of any Commanding Officer of a District, Garrison, Regiment, or Corps, (as the Case may be,) receive into his Custody any Soldier under Sentence of Imprisonment by a General or other Courtmartial, and keep him in a proper Place of Confinement, with or without hard Labour, according to the Sentence of the Court, and during the Time specified in the said Order, or until he be discharged, or shall, although the Period for which the Soldier was originally committed may not have expired, deliver him up to any Person producing an Order in Writing to that Effect from any such Commanding Officer as aforesaid; and every such Gaoler who shall refuse to receive and to confine any such Non-commissioned Officer or Soldier in manner as aforesaid shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That the Gaoler or Person having the immediate Inspection of any Prison, Gaol, or House of 13 Correction

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Custody and Subsistence of Deserters. Correction in every Part of His Majesty's Dominions shall diet and supply every Soldier with Fuel and other Necessaries according to the Regulations of the Prison to which he shall be committed, and shall receive on account of every Soldier, during the Period of his Imprisonment, Sixpence per Diem, which the Secretary at War shall cause to be issued out of the Subsistence of such Soldier, upon Application in Writing, signed by any Justice within whose Jurisdiction such Place of Confinement shall be locally situated, together with a Copy of the Order of Commitment, and which Sum of Sixpence per Diem shall be carried to the Credit of the Fund from which the Expence of such Prison or House of Correction is defrayed; and such Gaoler is hereby required to receive and confine every Deserter who shall be delivered into his Custody by any Soldier conveying such Deserter under lawful Authority, on Production of the Warrant of the Justice of the Peace on which such Deserter shall have been taken, or some Order from the Office of the Secretary at War, which Order shall continue in force until the Deserter shall have arrived at his Destination, and such Gaoler shall be entitled to One Shilling for the safe Custody of the said Deserter while halted on the March, and to such Subsistence for his Maintenance as shall be directed by His Majesty's Regulations.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That every Gaoler, to whom any Notice of Ex-Notice shall have been given that any Person in his Custody for piration of Imany Offence is a Soldier liable to serve His Majesty on the Expiration of his Imprisonment, shall give One Month's Notice of the Period of such Expiration of Imprisonment, or if there shall not be sufficient Time for a Month's Notice, then the longest practicable Notice thereof, to the Secretary at War.

XXX. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of this Person ssubject Act shall apply to all Persons employed on the Recruiting Ser- to this Act. vice receiving Pay in respect of such Service, and to the Forces of the East India Company, while they shall be in any Part of the United Kingdom, and until their Arrival in the Territories of the *East India* Company, and to the Officers and Persons now or hereafter serving and hired to be employed in the Royal Artillery and Field Train, and Master Gunners and Gunners, and Conductors of Stores, and in the Regiment of Royal Engineers and the Corps of Royal Sappers and Miners, and in the Corps of Royal Military Surveyors and Draftsmen, in the Ordnance and in the Commissariat Departments, and who are or shall be serving with any Part of His Majesty's Forces, at home or abroad, under the Command of any Officer having Commission from His Majesty, and all Store-keepers and other Civil Officers who are or shall be employed by or act under the Ordnance at any of His Majesty's Ordnance Establishments at Foreign Stations; provided that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to affect any Security which has been given by such Store-keeper, Barrack Master, or other Officer, or their Sureties, for the due Performance of their respective Offices, under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign of His

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of Securities in all Offices, but that such Bonds and other Secu-

rities shall be and remain in full Force and Effect.

Foreign Troops in this Country.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That all Officers and Soldiers of any Troops, being mustered and in Pay, which shall be raised and serving in any of His Majesty's Dominions abroad, or in Places in Possession of or occupied by His Majesty's Subjects, under the Command of any Officer having any Commission immediately from His Majesty, shall be liable to Martial Law in like Manner as His Majesty's other Forces are; and if such Officers and Soldiers, having been made Prisoners, be sent into England or Ireland, although not allowed to serve therein, all the Provisions of this Act in regard to billetting Soldiers shall apply to such Officers and Soldiers.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall in anywise be construed to extend to any of the Militia Forces or Yeomanry or Volunteer Corps in Great Britain or Ireland, excepting only in such Cases wherein, by any Act or Acts for regulating any of the said Forces or Corps, the Provisions contained in any Act for punishing Mutiny and Desertion shall be specifically made applicable to the said Corps.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be construed to extend to the Islands of Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, and Man, and the Islands thereto belonging, as to the Provisions therein for mustering and paying, and to the Provisions for the Trial and Punishment of Officers and Soldiers who shall be charged with Mutiny and Desertion, or any other-of the Offences which are by this Act declared to be punishable by the Sentence of a General, or Garrison, or Detachment, or Regimental Courtmartial, and also to the Provisions which relate to the Punishment of Persons who shall conceal Deserters, or shall knowingly buy, exchange, or otherwise receive any Arms, Clothes, Military Furniture, or Regimental Necessaries from any Soldier or Deserter, or who shall cause the Colour of any such Clothes to be changed, and also as to the Exemption from Arrest for Debts under Thirty Pounds of Soldiers in the said Islands.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall receive Enlisting Money from any Person employed in the Recruiting Service, he being an Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or an attested Soldier, shall be deemed to be enlisted as a Soldier in His Majesty's Service, and while he shall remain with the Recruiting Party shall be entitled to be billetted; and every Person who shall enlist any Recruit shall first ask the Person offering to enlist whether he does or does not belong to the Militia, and shall cause to be taken down, in Writing, the Name and Place of Abode of such Recruit; and (if such Recruit shall not reside in or in the Vicinity of the Town or Place where he offered to enlist) the Place also at which he shall declare that he intends to sleep, in order that within Forty-eight but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours, any intervening Sunday not included, after his having received the Enlisting Money, Notice of his having so enlisted be given to the Recruit or left at his 12 usual

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usual Place of Abode, or at the Place where he stated that it was his Intention to sleep; and when any Person shall be enlisted as a Soldier in His Majesty's Land Service he shall within Four Days, any intervening Sunday not included, but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours after such Enlisting, appear, together with some Person employed in the Recruiting Service of the Party with which he shall have enlisted, before a Justice, or, in Scotland, before any Baillie of a Royal Burgh, residing within the Vicinity of the Place, and acting for the Division or District where such Recruit shall have been enlisted, and not being an Officer in the Army; and if such Recruit shall declare his having voluntarily enlisted, the said Justice shall put to him the several Questions contained in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and shall record or cause to be recorded in Writing his Answers thereunto; and the said Justice is hereby required forthwith to cause the Answers so recorded in Writing, and the First and Second Articles of the Second Section of the Articles of War against Mutiny and Desertion, to be read over in his own Presence to such Recruit, and to administer to such Recruit the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed for limited or unlimited Service, or for Service in the Forces of the *East India* Company, as may be applicable to the Case of the Recruit, and no other Oaths, any thing in any Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and the said Justice is hereby required to give, under his Hand, the Certificate in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and if any such Recruit so to be certified shall refuse to take the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed before the said Justice, it shall be lawful for the Officer or Non-commissioned Officer with whom he enlisted to detain and confine such Person until he shall take the said Oath of Fidelity.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That any Recruit appearing as Dissent and aforesaid before such Justice shall be at liberty to declare his Relief from Dissent to such Enlisting, and upon such Declaration, and returning the Enlisting Money, and also paying the Sum of Twenty Shillings for the Charges expended upon him, together with the full Amount of Subsistence and Beer Money which shall have been paid to such Recruit subsequent to the Period of his having been enlisted, shall be forthwith discharged and set at liberty in the Presence of such Justice; but if such Person shall refuse or neglect, within the Space of Twenty-four Hours after so declaring his Dissent, to return and pay such Money as aforesaid, he shall be deemed and taken to be enlisted as if he had give his Assent thereto before the said Justice: Provided also, that it shall be lawful for any Justice to discharge any Person who shall have hastily enlisted, and who shall apply to him to declare his Dissent within such Four Days as aforesaid, upon Payment of the Sum of Money required to be paid by any Recruit declaring his Dissent under this Act, notwithstanding no Person belonging to the Recruiting Party shall be with the Recruit, if it shall appear to such Justice, upon Proof to his Satisfaction, that the Recruiting Party has left the Place where such Recruit was enlisted, or that the Recruit could not procure any Person

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Person belonging to such Party to go with him before the Justice; and the Sum paid by such Recruit upon his Discharge shall be kept by the Justice, and paid to any Person belonging to the Recruiting Party entitled thereto demanding the same; provided that no Recruit who has been actually, though erroneously, discharged by the Justice before the Expiration of Twenty-four Hours after the Time of his Enlistment, shall be liable on that Account to be proceeded against as having deserted from His Majesty's Service; and the Justice who shall discharge any Recruit shall in every Case give a Certificate thereof, signed with his Hand, to the Recruit, specifying the Cause thereof.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That if any Recruit shall receive the Enlisting Money from any Person employed in the Recruiting Service (knowing it to be such), and shall abscond or refuse to go before such Justice, or shall thereafter absent himself from the Recruiting Party or Person with whom he enlisted, and shall not voluntarily return to go before some Justice within such Period of Four Days aforesaid, such Recruit shall be deemed to be enlisted and a Soldier in His Majesty's Service, as fully to all Intents and Purposes as if he had been duly attested, and may be apprehended and punished as a Deserter, or for being absent without Leave, under any Articles of War made for Punishment of Mutiny and Desertion; and such Recruit shall not be discharged by any Justice of the Peace after the Expiration of such Four Days as aforesaid, unless it shall be proved to the Satisfaction of such Justice that the true Name and Residence of the Recruit was disclosed and known to the Recruiting Party, and that no Notice was given to the Recruit, or left at his usual Place of Abode, of his having so enlisted; provided that in every Case wherein any Recruit shall have received Enlisting Money, and shall have absconded from the Party, so that it shall not be possible immediately to apprehend and bring him before a Justice, the Officer or Non-commissioned Officer commanding the Party shall produce to the Justice before whom the Recruit ought regularly to have been brought for Attestation a Certificate of the Name and Place of Residence of such Recruit ; and the Justice to whom such Certificate shall be produced shall, after satisfying himself that the Recruit who had absconded cannot be found and apprehended, transmit a Duplicate thereof to His Majesty's Secretary at War, in order that, in the event of such Recruit being afterwards apprehended and reported as a Deserter, the Facts of his baving received Enlisting Money, and having absconded after having been enlisted, may be ascertained, before he be finally adjudged to be a Deserter; and any Recruit who shall enlist into His Majesty's Forces, and who shall be discovered to be incapable of active Service by reason of any Infirmity concealed or not declared by such Recruit before the Justice at the Time of his Attestation, may be transferred into any Garrison or Veteran or Invalid Battalion or Company, or into His Majesty's Marine Forces, notwithstanding he shall have enlisted for any particular Regiment, and shall be entitled to receive such Proportion or Residue of Bounty only as His 13 Majesty

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Majesty may allow in that Behalf, instead of the Bounty upon which such Man shall have been enlisted, any thing in any Act or Acts, or any Rules and Regulations relating to Soldiers, to the contrary notwithstanding; and it shall be lawful for any Two Justices before whom such Recruit shall be brought, and who shall be proved, upon Oath before them, to have concealed his having been a Soldier and discharged, or to have concealed his having been discharged upon any prior Enlistment, or to have wilfully concealed any such Infirmity upon being attested, or to have designedly made any false Representation as aforesaid, to adjudge such Person to be a Rogue and Vagabond, and to sentence him to such Punishment as by any Law now in force may be inflicted upon Rogues and Vagabonds and Vagrants and incorrigible Rogues; and any Recruit who shall designedly make any false Representation of any Particular contained in the Oaths and Certificates in the Schedule to this Act annexed, before the Justice, at the Time of his Attestation, and shall obtain any Enlisting Money or Bounty for entering into His Majesty's Service, or any other Money, shall be deemed guilty of obtaining Money under false Pretences within the true Intent and Meaning, if in England, of an Act, intituled An Act for consolidating 7&8G.4.c.29. and amending the Laws in England relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith ; and if in Ireland, of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in Ireland relative 9 G. 4, c. 55. to Larceny and other Officaces connected therewith ; and the Production of such Certificate, and Proof of the Handwriting of the Justice giving such Certificate, shall be sufficient Evidence of such Party having represented the several Particulars contained in the Oath sworn by him, and specified in the Certificate of the Justice at the Time of his being attested; and that Proof by the Oath of One or more credible Witnesses, that the Person so prosecuted hath voluntarily acknowledged that at the Time of his Enlistment he belonged to the Militia, or to any Regiment in His Majesty's Service, or to His Majesty's Navy or Marines, shall be deemed and taken as Evidence of the Fact so by him acknowledged, without Production of any Roll or other Document to prove the same; and any Man having been en-

rolled to serve in the Militia at the Time of offering to enlist who shall deny that he is a Militia Man then actually enrolled and engaged to serve, or shall deny to the Justice before whom he shall be attested that he belongs to the Militia, shall, on Conviction thereof before any One Justice in the United Kingdom, either upon Oath of One Witness or upon his own Confession, or upon the Production of the Attestation, and the before-mentioned Acknowledgment of such Person, certified by the Secretary at War or Deputy Secretary at War, be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for and during any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months, over and above any Penalty or Punishment to which such Person so offending may be otherwise liable, and shall from. the Day on which his Engagement to serve in the Militia shall

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end, and not sooner, belong as a Soldier to the Corps of His Majesty's Regular Forces, or of the *East India* Company's Forces, into which he shall have so enlisted; provided that every such Person shall be liable to serve, within the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, in any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of His Majesty's Regular Forces, or of the *East India* Company's Forces, in which he has so enlisted, during all the Time the Militia to which he shall belong shall remain disembodied, or shall not be called out for Training or Exercise, and shall during all such Time be subject to all the Provisions of this Act, and liable to be apprehended and dealt with and punished as a Deserter from the Corps in which he shall have so enlisted, if he shall neglect or refuse to join and serve in such Corps as aforesaid.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That every Military Officer, who shall act contrary to the Provisions of this Act in any respect regarding the enlisting and attesting of Recruits for His Majesty's Service, shall, upon Proof thereof upon Oath by Two Witnesses before a General Court-martial, which is hereby authorized to administer such Oath, be cashiered and disabled to hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment in His Majesty's Service.

XXXVIII. 'And whereas it is expedient that Provision ' should be made for the enlisting and attesting of Soldiers de-' sirous of re-enlisting, and others desirous of enlisting, abroad ;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Person duly appointed by His Majesty by any Warrant signed by the Secretary at War in that Behalf, and not being a General Officer nor holding any Regimental Commission, to enlist and attest, out of Great Britain or Ireland, any Soldiers or Persons desirous of enlisting or re-enlisting into His Majesty's Service; and any Person so appointed shall have the same Powers in that Behalf as are given to Justices in the United Kingdom for all. such Purposes of Enlistment and Attestation; and any Person so enlisted or re-enlisted shall be deemed to be an attested Soldier; and as often as any Corps shall be relieved or disbanded at any Station beyond the Seas, it shall be lawful for any Officers thereunto authorized by the Officer commanding in chief at such Station to enlist as many of the Soldiers belonging to the Corps leaving the Station as shall be willing and fit for Service for any Corps appointed to remain; and every Soldier so enlisted is hereby deemed to be discharged from his former Corps; and an attested Certificate of Transfer shall be delivered to the Soldier.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That all Negroes purchased by or on account of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and serving in any of His Majesty's Forces, shall be deemed and taken to be free in every respect as if born free in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions, and shall be considered as Soldiers having voluntarily enlisted in His Majesty's Service; provided that nothing contained in this Act as to enlisting for limited Periods of Service, or in any other Act as to any Rules or Regulations

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XL. And be it enacted, That any Person duly bound as an Apprentice Apprentice who shall enlist as a Soldier in His Majesty's or liable to serve the East India Company's Service, and shall state to the Magis- after the Expitrate before whom he shall be carried and attested that he is not ration of his an Apprentice, shall be deemed guilty of obtaining Money under false Pretences within the true Intent and Meaning of the beforerecited Acts, and shall, after the Expiration of his Apprenticeship, whether he shall have been so convicted and punished or not, be liable to serve as a Soldier in any of His Majesty's Regular Forces, or in the Forces of the East India Company, according to the Terms of the Enlistment; and if on the Expiration of his Apprenticeship he shall not deliver himself up to some Officer authorized to receive Recruits, may be taken as a Deserter from His Majesty's Forces.

XLI. And be it enacted, That no Master shall be entitled to Claims of claim an Apprentice who shall enlist as a Soldier in His Majesty's Masters to or the East India Company's Service, unless he shall, within One Apprentices. Calendar Month after such Apprentice shall have left his Service, go before some Justice and take the Oath mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and produce the Certificate of such Justice of his having taken such Oath, which Certificate such Justice is required to give in the Form in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and unless such Apprentice shall have been bound, if in England, for the full Term of Seven Years, not having been above the Age of Fourteen when so bound, and, if in Ireland or in the British Isles, for the full Term of Five Years at the least, not having been above the Age of Sixteen when so bound, and, if in Scotland, for the full Term at least of Four Years, by a regular Contract or Indenture of Apprenticeship, duly extended, signed, and tested, and binding on both Parties by the Law of Scotland, prior to the Period of Enlistment, and unless such Contract or Indenture in Scotland shall, within Three Months after the Commencement of the Apprenticeship, and before the Period of Enlistment, have been produced to a Justice of the Peace of the County in Scotland wherein the Parties reside, and there shall have been indorsed thereon by such Justice a Certificate or Declaration signed by him, specifying the Date when and the Person by whom such Contract or Indenture shall have been so produced, which Certificate or Declaration such Justice of the Peace is hereby required to indorse and sign; and unless such Apprentice shall, when claimed by such Master, be under Twenty-one Years of Age; provided that any Master of an Apprentice indentured for the Sea Service shall be entitled to claim and recover him in the Form and Manner above directed, notwithstanding such Apprentice may have been bound for a less Term than Seven, Five, or Four Years as aforesaid; and any such Master who shall give up the Indentures of Apprenticeship within One Month after the enlisting of such Apprentice shall be entitled to receive to his own Use so much of the C 3 Bounty

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Bounty payable to such Recruit, after deducting therefrom Two Guineas to provide him with Necessaries, as shall not have been paid to such Recruit before Notice given of his being an Apprentice.

XLII. And be it enacted, That no Apprentice claimed by his Master shall be taken from any Corps or Recruiting Party but under a Warrant of a Justice residing near and within whose Jurisdiction such Apprentice shall then happen to be, before whom he shall be carried, and such Justice shall inquire into the Matter upon Oath, which Oath he is hereby empowered to administer, and shall require the Production and Proof of the Indenture, and that Notice of the said Warrant has been given to the Commanding Officer, and a Copy thereof left with some Officer or Non-commissioned Officer of the Party, and that such Person so enlisted declared that he was no Apprentice; and such Justice, if required by such Officer or Non-commissioned Officer, shall commit the Offender to the Common Gaol of the said Place, and shall keep the Indenture to be produced when required, and shall bind over such Person as he may think proper to give Evidence against the Offender, who shall be tried at the next or at the Sessions immediately succeeding the next General or Quarter Sessions of the County, Division, or Place, unless the Court shall on just Cause put off the Trial; and the Production of the Indenture, with the Certificate of the Justices that the same was proved, shall be sufficient Evidence of the said Indenture; and every such Offender, in Scotland, may be tried by the Judge Ordinary in the County or Stewartry, in such and the like Manner as any Person may be tried in Scotland for any Offence not inferring a Capital Punishment; provided that any Justice not required as aforesaid to commit such Apprentice may deliver him to his Master.

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XLIII. And be it enacted, That Musters shall be taken of every Regiment, Troop, or Company in His Majesty's Service, twice at least in every Year, at such Times as shall be appointed; and no Soldier shall be absent from such Musters unless properly certified to be employed on some other Duty of the Regiment, or to be sick, or in Prison, or on Furlough; and every Person who shall give or procure to be given any untrue Certificate whereby to excuse any Soldier for his Absence from any Muster or any other Service which he ought to attend or perform, or shall make any false or untrue Muster of Man or Horse, or shall wittingly or willingly allow or sign the Muster Roll wherein such false Muster is contained, or any Duplicate thereof, or who shall directly or indirectly take or cause to be taken any Money or Gratuity for mustering any Soldiers, or for signing any Muster Rolls or Duplicates thereof, or shall knowingly muster any Person by a wrong Name, upon Proof thereof upon Oath made by Two Witnesses before a General Courtmartial, shall for such Offence be forthwith cashiered, and shall be thereby utterly disabled to have or hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in His Majesty's Service, and if the Person

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Person giving such untrue Certificate shall not have any Military Commission, he shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of Fifty Pounds; and any Person who shall falsely be mustered or offer himself to be mustered, or lend or furnish any Horse to be falsely mustered, shall, upon Oath made by Two Witnesses before some Justice of the Peace residing near the Place where such Muster shall be made, forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds; and the Informer, if he belongs to His Majesty's Service, shall, if he demand it, be forthwith discharged.

XLIV. And be it enacted, That Forty-eight Hours Notice Musters in and shall be given to Six Justices, not being Officers of the Army, residing within the City and Liberties of Westminster and Borough of Southwark, of the Muster to be taken of His Majesty's Forces quartered within the said City and Liberties and Borough; and no Officer shall proceed to take such Musters, under Penalty of Fifty Pounds, except in the Presence of Two or more Justices, who shall take cognizance of such Muster, and sign the same, unless such Justices shall neglect to attend, of which Neglect, as well as of the proper Notice being given to such Justices, Oath shall be made, within Forty-eight Hours after such Muster, before any Justice; and the Officer appointed to take the Half-yearly Musters of any of His Majesty's Forces, at any Place Ten Miles distant from London, shall close the Muster Rolls within Twenty-four Hours after the said Muster has been made, and send a Copy thereof within Seven Days to the Secretary at War.

XLV. And be it enacted, That any Soldier who shall absent Forfeiture of himself without Leave, or who shall desert, shall, on Conviction by a General or other Court-martial, in addition to any Punishment awarded by such Court, forfeit his Pay for the Days on which he has so absented himself without Leave, or on which he has been absent by such Desertion, and that no Soldier shall be entitled to Pay or to reckon Service towards Pay or Pension when in Confinement under any Sentence of any Court, or during any Absence from Duty by Commitment under the Civil Power on a Charge of any Offence cognizable by a Civil or Criminal Court, or by reason of any Arrest for Debt, or as a Prisoner of War, or while in Confinement under any Charge of which he shall afterwards be convicted; and if any Soldier shall absent himself without Leave for any Period not exceeding Five Days, and shall not account for the same to the Satisfaction of the Commanding Officer, it shall be lawful for the said Commanding Officer (if he shall think fit) to order and direct that such Soldier shall forfeit his Pay for the Day or Days on which he has so absented himself, and thereupon such Pay shall be forfeited, and such Soldier shall not be liable to be afterwards tried by a Court-martial, or to be otherwise punished for the said Offence; provided that any Soldier acquitted of the Offence for which he was committed shall, upon Return to his Duty in his Corps, be entitled to reseive all Arrears of Pay growing due, and to reckon Service during his Absence or Confinement; and upon rejoining His Majesty's Service from being a Prisoner C 4 of

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of War, due Inquiry shall be made by a Court-martial, and if it shall be proved to the Satisfaction of such Court that the said Soldier was taken Prisoner without wilful Neglect of Duty on his Part, and that he hath not served with or under or in any Manner aided the Enemy, and that he hath returned as soon as possible to His Majesty's Service, he may thereupon be recommended by such Court to receive either the Whole of such Arrears of Pay, or a Proportion thereof, and to reckon Service during his Absence; provided that it shall be lawful for His Majesty's Secretary at War to order or withhold the Payment of the Whole or any Part of the Pay of any Officer or Soldier during the Period of Absence by any of the Causes aforesaid.

XLVI. And be it enacted, That when there shall not be any Military Officer of Rank, not inferior to Captain, or any Adjutant of Regular Militia, within convenient Distance of the Place where any Non-commissioned Officer or Soldier on Furlough shall be detained by Sickness or other Casualty rendering necessary any Extension of such Furlough, it shall be lawful for any Justice who shall be satisfied of such Necessity to grant an Extension of Furlough for a Period not exceeding One Month; and the said Justice shall immediately certify such Extension, and the Cause thereof, to the Commanding Officer of the Corps or Detachment to which the Man belongs, if known, and if not, then to the Agent of the Regiment, in order that the proper Sum may be remitted to the Soldier, who shall not during the Period of such Extension of Furlough be liable to be treated as a Deserter; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt any Soldier from Trial and Punishment, according to the Provisions of this Act, for any false Representation made by him in that Behalf to the said Justice, or for any Breach of Discipline committed by him in applying for and obtaining the said Extension of Furlough.

XLVII. And be it enacted, That every Soldier entitled to his Discharge shall, if then serving abroad, be sent, if he shall so require it, to *Great Britain* or *Ireland* free of Expence, and shall be entitled to receive Marching Money from the Place of his being landed (or, if discharged at home, shall receive Marching Money from the Place of his Discharge,) to the Parish or Place in which he shall have been originally enlisted, or at which he shall at the Time of his Discharge decide to take up his Residence, such Place not being at a greater Distance from the Place of his Discharge than the Place of his original Enlistment.

XLVIII. And be it enacted, That all Commissaries upon making up their Accounts, and also upon returning from any Foreign Service, shall make the Declaration described in the Schedule to this Act annexed; which Declaration, if made in any Part of the United Kingdom, shall be made before some Justice, and if made on Foreign Service, before the Officer commanding in chief, or the Second in command, or the Quarter Master or Deputy Quarter Master General or any Assistant Quarter Master General of the Army to which he shall be 12

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attached, who shall respectively have Power to administer and receive the same.

XLIX. And be it enacted, That no Secretary at War, Pay- Issue of Pay of master General of the Army, Paymaster, or any other Officer the Army. whatsoever, or their under Officers, shall receive any Fees or make any Deductions whatsoever out of the Pay of any Officer or Soldier in His Majesty's Army, or from their Agents, which shall grow due from and after the Twenty-fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, other than the usual Deductions, or such other necessary Deductions as shall from Time to Time be required by His Majesty's Regulations, or by His Majesty's Order signified by the Secretary at War; and every Paymaster or other Officer having received any Officer's or Soldier's Pay, who shall unlawfully detain the same for the Space of One Month, or refuse to pay the same when it shall become due, according to the several Rates and agreeably to the several Regulations established by His Majesty's Orders, shall, upon Proof thereof before a Court-martial, be discharged from his Employment, and shall forfeit One hundred Pounds, and the Informer, if a Soldier, if he demands it, shall be discharged from any further Service; provided that it shall be lawful for His Majesty's Secretary at War, to give Orders for withholding the Pay of any Officer or Soldier for any Period during which such Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or Soldier shall be absent without Leave, or improperly absent from his Corps and from his Duty; or, in case of any Doubt as to the proper Issue of Pay, to withhold it from the Parties aforesaid until His Majesty's Orders shall have been signified by the Secretary at War.

L. And for enforcing a prompt Observance of the Rules and Penalty for Orders for the due Appropriation of the Public Funds applicable to Army Services, and in order that a true and regular Account may be kept and rendered by the Agents for the several Corps, be it enacted, That the said Agents are hereby required to observe such Orders as shall from Time to Time be given by His Majesty under His Sign Manual, or by the Secretary at War, or by His Majesty's Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, or by the Lord Treasurer or Commissioners of the Treasury; and if any Person, being or having been an Agent, shall refuse or neglect to comply with such Orders in relation to his Duty as Agent, or shall unlawfully withhold or detain the Pay of any Officer or Soldier after the Space of One Month after the Receipt thereof, he shall for the First Offence forfeit the Sum of One hundred Pounds; and if still an Agent, 'for the Second Offence be discharged from his Employment as an Army Agent, and be utterly disabled to have or hold such Employment thereafter; or, if he shall have ceased to be an Army Agent, shall for the Second and every succeeding Offence forfeit the Sum of Two hundred Pounds.

LI. And whereas by Petition of Right, in the Third Year How and where • of King *Charles* the First, it is enacted and declared, that the Troops may be • People of the Land are not by the Laws to be burthened ^{billetted.}

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' with the sojourning of Soldiers against their Wills; and by a 6 Clause in an Act of the Parliament of England, made in the ⁶ Thirty-first Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, for ⁶ granting a Supply to His Majesty of Two hundred and six ' thousand four hundred and sixty-two Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Three-pence, for paying and disbanding the Forces, it ' is declared and enacted, that no Officer, Civil or Military, nor ⁴ other Person whoseever, should thenceforth presume to place, ' quarter, or billet any Soldier upon any Subject or Inhabitant of ' this Realm, of any Degree, Quality, or Profession whatsoever, ' without his Consent, and that it shall be lawful for any Subject or Inhabitant to refuse to quarter any Soldier, notwithstanding 6 any Warrant or Billetting whatsoever: And whereas by an Act passed in *Ireland* in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Queen " Anne, intituled An Act to prevent the Disorders that may happen ' by the marching of Soldiers, and providing Carriages for the Baggage of Soldiers on their March, it was enacted, that no ' Officer, Soldier, or Trooper in the Army, nor the Servant of * any Officer, nor any Attendant on the Train of Artillery, should ' at any Time thereafter be allowed any Quarters in any Part of ' Ireland, save only during such Time as he or they should be ' and remain in some Seaport Town in order to be transported, • or during such Time as there should be any Commotion in any • Part of Ireland, by reason of which Emergency the Army should ' be commanded to march from any Part of Ireland to another:' But forasmuch as at this Time, during the Continuance of this Act, there is and may be Occasion for the marching and quartering of Regiments, Troops, and Companies in several Parts of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Constables of Parishes and Places, and other Persons specified in this Act, in *England* and *Ireland*, and they are hereby required, to billet the Officers and Soldiers in His Majesty's Service, and Persons receiving Pay in His Majesty's Army, and the Horses belonging to His Majesty's Cavalry, and also all Staff and Field Officers Horses, and all Bât and Baggage Horses belonging to any of His Majesty's other Forces, when on actual Service, not exceeding for each Officer the Number for which Forage is or shall be allowed by His Majesty's Regulations, in Victualling Houses and other Houses specified in this Act (taking care in Ireland not to billet less than Two Men in any One House, except only in case of billetting Cavalry as specially provided); and that they shall be received by the Occupiers of such Houses in which they are so allowed to be billetted, and be furnished by such Victuallers with proper Accommodation in such Houses, or if any Victualler shall not have sufficient Accommodation in the House upon which a Soldier is billetted, then in some good and sufficient Quarters to be provided by such Victualler in the immediate Neighbourhood, and in England with Diet and Small Beer, and with Stables, Hay, and Straw for such Horses as aforesaid, paying and allowing for the same the several Rates herein-after provided; and at no Time when Troops are on a March shall any of them, whether Infantry

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Infantry or Cavalry, be billetted above One Mile from the Place mentioned in the Route; and in all Places where Cavalry shall be billetted in pursuance of this Act, the Men and their Horses shall be billetted in one and the same House, except in case of Necessity; and in no other Case whatsoever shall there be less than One Man billetted where there shall be One or Two Horses, nor less than Two Men where there shall be Four Horses, and so in proportion for a greater Number; and in no Case shall a Man and his Horse be billetted at a greater Distance from each other than One hundred Yards; and the Constables are hereby required to billet all Soldiers and their Horses on their March in a just and equal Proportion upon the Keepers of all Houses within One Mile of the Place mentioned in the Route, although some of such Houses may be in the adjoining County, in like Manner in every respect as if such Houses were locally situate within such Place; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to authorize any Constable to billet Soldiers out of the County to which such Constable belongs, when the Constable of the adjoining County shall be present and undertake to billet the due Proportion of Men in such adjoining County; and no more Billets shall at any Time be ordered than there are effective Soldiers and Horses present to be billetted; all which Billets, when made out by such Constables, shall be delivered into the Hands of the Commanding Officer present; and if any Person shall find himself aggrieved by having an undue Proportion of Soldiers billetted in his House, and shall prefer his Complaint, if against a Constable or other Person not being a Justice, to One or more Justices, and if against a Justice, then to Two or more Justices, within whose Jurisdiction such Soldiers are billetted, such Justices respectively shall have Power to order such of the Soldiers to be removed, and to be billetted upon other Persons, as they shall see Cause; and when any of His Majesty's Cavalry or any Horses as aforesaid shall be billetted upon the Occupiers of Houses in which Officers or Soldiers may be quartered by virtue of this Act, who shall have no Stables, then and in such Case upon the written Requisition of the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Troop, or Detachment, the Constable is hereby required to billet the Men and their Horses, or Horses only, upon some other Person or Persons who have Stables by this Act liable to have Officers and Soldiers billetted upon them; and upon Complaint being made by the Person or Persons to whose House or Stables the said Men and Horses shall have been so removed to Two or more Justices within whose Jurisdiction such Men or Horses shall be so billetted, it shall be lawful for such Justices to order a proper Allowance to be paid by the Person relieved to the Persons receiving such Men and Horses, or to be applied in furnishing the requisite Accommodation; and Commanding Officers may exchange any Man or Horse billetted in any Place with another Man or Horse billetted in the same Place, for the Benefit of the Service, provided the Number of Men and Horses do not exceed the Number at that Time billetted on such Houses; and the Constables

stables are hereby required to billet such Men and Horses so exchanged accordingly; and it shall be lawful for any Justice, at the Request of any Officer or Non-commissioned Officer commanding any Soldiers requiring Billets, to extend any Routes or enlarge the Districts within which Billets shall be required, in such Manner as shall appear to be most convenient to the Troops ; provided that, to prevent or punish all Abuses in billetting Soldiers, it shall be lawful for any Justice within his Jurisdiction, by Warrant or Order under his Hand, to require any Constable to give him an Account in Writing of the Number of Officers and Soldiers who shall be quartered by such Constable, together with the Names of the Persons upon whom such Officers and Soldiers are billetted, stating the Street or Place where such Persons dwell, and the Sign, if any, belonging to those Houses; and it shall be lawful to billet Officers and Soldiers in Scotland according to the Provisions of the Laws in force in Scotland at the Time of its Union with England; and no Officer shall be obliged to pay for his Lodging where he shall be regularly billetted, except in the Suburbs of Edinburgh.

LII. And be it enacted, That the Officers and Soldiers of His Majesty's Foot Guards shall be billetted within the City and Liberties of Westminster, and Places adjacent, lying in the County of Middlesex (except the City of London) and in the County of Surrey, and in the Borough of Southwark, in the same Manner and under the same Regulations as in other Parts of England, in all Cases for which particular Provision is not made by this Act; and the High Constable shall, on Receipt of the Order for billetting Soldiers, deliver Precepts to the several Constables within their respective Divisions, in pursuance of which the said Constables shall billet such Officers and Soldiers equally and proportionally on the Houses subjected thereto by this Act; and the said Constables shall, at every General Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the said City and Liberties, Counties and Boroughs respectively, make and deliver to the Justices then in open Session assembled, upon Oath, which Oath the said Justices are hereby required to administer, Lists, signed by them respectively, of the Houses subject by this Act to receive Officers and Soldiers, together with the Names and Rank of all Officers and Soldiers billetted on each respectively, which Lists shall remain with the respective Clerks of the Peace for the Inspection of all Persons, without Fee or Reward; and such Clerk shall forthwith from Time to Time deliver to any Persons who shall require the same true Copies of any such Lists, upon being paid Two-pence per Sheet for the same, each Sheet to contain at the least One hundred and fifty Words.

LIII. And be it enacted, That no Justice having or executing any Military Office or Commission in any Part of the United Kingdom shall, directly or indirectly, be concerned in the billetting or appointing Quarters for any Soldier in the Regiment, Troop, or Company under the immediate Command of such Justice, but that all Warrants, Acts, or Things so appointed by such Justice for or concerning the same shall be void.

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LIV. And be it enacted, That the Innholder or other Per- Allowance to son on whom any Soldier is billetted in England shall, if required Innkeepers. by such Soldier, furnish him for every Day on the March, and for a Period not exceeding Two Days when halted at the intermediate Place upon the March, and for the Day of the Arrival at the Place of final Destination, with One hot Meal in each Day, the Meal to consist of such Quantities of Diet and small Beer as may be fixed by His Majesty's Regulations, not exceeding One Pound and a Quarter of Meat previous to being dressed, One Pound of Bread, One Pound of Potatoes or other Vegetables, and Two Pints of Small Beer, and Vinegar, Salt, and Pepper, and for such Meal the Innholder or other Person furnishing the same shall be paid the Sum of Ten-pence; and all Innholders and other Persons on whom Soldiers may be billetted in England, except when on the March, and entitled to be furnished with the hot Meal as aforesaid, shall furnish such Soldier with Candles, Vinegar, and Salt, and shall allow them the Use of Fire, and the necessary Utensils for dressing and eating their Meat, and shall be paid in consideration thereof the Sum of One Halfpenny per Diem for each Soldier; and the Sum to be paid to the Innholder or other Person on whom any of the Horses belonging to His Majesty's Forces shall be billetted, in England, for Hay and Straw, shall be Ten-pence per Diem for each Horse, and in Ireland the Sum to be paid for Forage to the Innholder or other Person for Horses billetted by virtue of this Act shall be the Rate established by the Lord Lieutenant or other sufficient Authority from Time to Time, the same to be regulated by the average Rate of Contracts for Forage in Ireland ; and for the Use of Stables in Ireland, when such Horses are provided with Hay and Straw by Contract, and not by the Occupiers of the Houses on which they are billetted, the Sum of Fourpence per Week for each Horse shall be paid; and every Officer to whom it belongs to receive or who does actually receive the Pay for any Officers or Soldiers shall every Four Days, or before they shall quit their Quarters if they shall not remain so long as Four Days, settle the just Demands of all Victuallers or other Persons upon whom such Officers and Soldiers are billetted, out of their Pay and Subsistence, before any Part of the said Pay or Subsistence be distributed to them respectively; and if any Officer as aforesaid shall not pay the same, upon Complaint, and Oath made thereof by any Two Witnesses, at the next Quarter Sessions for the County or City where such Quarters were situated, the Secretary at War is hereby required (upon Certificate of the Justices before whom such Oath was made of the Sum due upon such Accounts, and the Persons to whom the same is owing,) to give Orders to the Regimental Agent to pay the said Sums, and to charge the same against such Officers; and in case of any Soldier being suddenly ordered to march, and that the respective Commanding Officers are not enabled to make Payment of the Sums due for the Lodging of the Men and Stabling for the Horses, every such Officer shall, before his Departure, make up the Account with every Person upon whom such

such Soldier may have been billetted, and sign a Certificate thereof; which Account and Certificate shall be transmitted to the Agent of the Regiment, who is hereby required to make immediate Payment thereof, and to charge the same to the Account of such Officer.

LV. And be it enacted, That all the Powers and Provisions in this Act contained relating to England shall be construed to extend to Wales and the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed; and all Powers and Provisions relating to the British Isles shall be construed to extend to Guernsey, Jersey, Alderney, Sark, and Man, and all Isles thereto and to England and Ireland belonging; and all Powers and Provisions relating to Soldiers shall be construed to extend to Non-commissioned Officers, unless when otherwise provided; and all Powers and Provisions relating to Justices shall be construed to extend to all Magistrates authorized to act as such in their respective Jurisdictions, and to Chief Magistrates of exclusive local Jurisdictions; and all the Powers given to and Regulations made for the Conduct of Constables in relation to the billetting of Officers and Soldiers, and all Penalties and Forfeitures for any Neglect thereof, shall extend to all Tithingmen, Headboroughs, and such like Officers, and High Constables and other Chief Officers and Magistrates of Cities, Towns, Villages, Hamlets, Parishes, and Places in England and Ireland, who shall act in the Execution of this Act in relation to billetting; and all Provisions for billetting Officers and Soldiers in Victualling Houses shall extend and apply to all Inns, Livery Stables, Alehouses, and to the Houses of Sellers of Wine by Retail, whether *British* or Foreign, to be drank in their own Houses, or Places thereunto belonging, and to all Houses of Persons selling Brandy, Strong Waters, Cider, or Metheglin, by Retail, in England and Ireland; and in Ireland, when there shall not be found sufficient Room in such Houses, then to billetting Soldiers in such Manner as has been heretofore customary; provided that no Officer or Soldier shall be billetted in England in any private Houses, or in any Canteen held or occupied under the Authority of the Ordnance Department, or upon Persons who keep Taverns only, being Vintners of the City of London, admitted to their Freedom of the said Company in right of Patrimony or Apprenticeship, notwithstanding such Persons who keep such Taverns only have taken out Victualling Licences, nor in the House of any Distiller kept for distilling Brandy and Strong Waters, nor in the House of any Shopkeeper whose principal Dealing shall be more in other Goods and Merchandize than in Brandy and Strong Waters, so as such Distillers and Shopkeepers do not permit Tippling in such Houses, nor in the House of Residence in any Part of the United Kingdom of any Foreign Consul duly accredited as such.

LVI. And be it enacted, That for the regular Provision of Carriages for His Majesty's Forces, and their Baggage, in their Marches in *England* and *Ireland*, all Justices of the Peace within their several Jurisdictions, being duly required thereunto by an Order

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Order from His Majesty, or the General of His Forces, or the Master General or Lieutenant General of His Majesty's Ordnance. or other Person duly authorized in that Behalf, shall, on Production of such Order to such Justices by some Officer or Noncommissioned Officer of the Regiment so ordered to march, issue a Warrant to any Constable having Authority to act in any Place from, through, near, or to which the Troop shall be ordered to march, (for each of which Warrants the Fee of One Shilling only shall be paid,) requiring him to provide the Carriages, Horses, and Oxen, and Drivers therein mentioned, and allowing sufficient Time to do the same, specifying Places from and to which the said Carriages shall travel, and the Number of Miles between the Places, for which Number only so specified Payment shall be demanded, and which Number of Miles shall not, except in Cases of pressing Emergency, exceed a Day's March prescribed in the Order of Route, and shall in no Cases exceed Twentyfive Miles; and the Constables receiving such Warrants shall order such Persons as they shall think proper, having Carriages, to furnish the requisite Supply, who are hereby required to furnish the same accordingly; and when sufficient Carriages cannot be procured within the proper Jurisdiction, any Justice of the next adjoining Jurisdiction shall, by a like Course of proceeding, supply the Deficiency; and in order that the Burthen of providing Carriages may fall equally, and to prevent Inconvenience arising from there being no Justice near the Place where Troops may be quartered on the March, any Justice residing nearest to such Place may cause a List to be made out once in every Year of all Persons liable to furnish such Carriages, and of the Number and Description of their said Carriages, (which Lists shall at all seasonable Hours be open to the Inspection of the said Persons,) and may by Warrant under his Hand authorize the Constables within his Jurisdiction to give Orders to provide Carriages, without any special Warrant for that Purpose, which Orders shall be valid in all respects; and all Orders for such Carriages shall be made from such Lists in regular Rotation, as far as the same can be done.

LVII. And be it enacted, That the Rates to be paid for Rates to be Carriages impressed shall be, in England, for every Mile which paid, and Mode a Waggon with Four or more Horses, or a Wain with Six Oxen, or Four Oxen and Two Horses, shall travel, One Shilling; and for every Mile any Waggon with narrow Wheels, or any Cart with Four Horses, carrying not less than Fifteen Hundred Weight, shall travel, Nine-pence; and for every Mile any other Cart or Carriage with less than Four Horses, and not carrying Fifteen Hundred Weight, shall travel, Sixpence; and in Ireland, for every Hundred Weight loaded on any Wheel Carriage, One Halfpenny per Mile; and in England such further Rates may be added, not exceeding a total Addition per Mile of Fourpence, Three-pence, or Two-pence, to the respective Rates of One Shilling, Nine-pence, or Sixpence, as may seem reasonable to the Justices assembled at General Sessions for their respective Districts; and the Order of such Justices at Sessions shall specify the

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the average Price of Hay and Oats at the nearest Market Town at the Time of fixing such additional Rates, the Period for which the Order shall be enforced not exceeding Ten Days beyond the next General Sessions (and no such Order shall be valid unless a Copy thereof, signed by the presiding Magistrate and One other Justice, shall be transmitted to the Secretary at War within Three Days after the making thereof); and also in England, when the Day's March shall exceed Fifteen Miles, the Justice granting his Warrant may fix a further reasonable Compensation, not exceeding the usual Rate of Hire fixed by this Act; and when any additional Rates or Compensation shall be granted, the Justice shall insert in his own Hand in the Warrant the Amount thereof, and the Date of the Order of Sessions, if fixed by Sessions, and the Warrant shall be given to the Officer commanding as his Voucher; provided that the Officer or Noncommissioned Officer demanding Carriages by virtue of the Warrant of a Justice shall, in England, pay, down in hand the proper Sums into the Hands of the Constables providing Carriages, who shall give Receipts for the same on unstamped Paper; and, in Ireland, the Officers or Non-commissioned Officers as aforesaid shall pay to the Owners or Drivers of the Carriages, and One Third Part of such Payment shall be made before the Carriage be loaded, and all the said Payments in Ireland shall be made, if required, in the Presence of a Justice or Constable; provided that no Carriage shall be liable to carry more than Thirty Hundred Weight in *England*, and in *Ireland* no Car' shall be liable to carry more than Six Hundred Weight, and no Dray more than Twelve Hundred Weight; but the Owner of such Carriages in Ireland, consenting to carry a greater Weight, shall be paid at the same Rate for every Hundred Weight of the said Excess; and the Owners of such Carriages in Ireland shall not be compelled to proceed, though with any less Weight, under the Sum of Three-pence a Mile for each Car and Sixpence a Mile for each Dray; and the Loading of such Carriages in Ireland shall be first weighed, if required, at the Expence of the Owner of the Carriage, if the same can be done in a reasonable Time, without Hindrance to His Majesty's Service; and the providing and paying for Carriages in Scotland shall be regulated by the Law in force at the Time of the Union with England; provided that a Cart with One or more Horses, for which the Furnisher shall receive Nine-pence a Mile, shall be required to carry Fifteen Hundred Weight at the least; provided that no Penalties or Forfeitures in any Act relating to Highways or Turnpike Roads in the United Kingdom shall apply to the Number of Horses and Oxen, or Weight of Loading of the aforesaid Carriages, which shall not on that Account be stopped or detained; and whenever it shall be necessary to impress Carriages for the March of Soldiers from Dublin, at least Twenty-four Hours Notice of such March, and in case of Emergency as long Notice as the Case will admit, shall be given to the Lord Mayor of Dublin, who shall summon a proportional Number of Cars and Drays, at his Discretion, out of the licensed Cars 1837.

Cars and Drays and other Cars and Drays within the County of the said City, and they shall by Turns be employed on this Duty, at the Prices and under the Regulations herein-before mentioned; and no Country Cars, Drays, or other Carriages coming to Markets in Ireland shall be detained or employed against the Will of the Owners in carrying the Baggage of the Army on any Pretence whatsoever.

LVIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for His Ma- Supply of Carjesty, or the Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governors of Ireland, by riages in Cases His or their Order, distinctly stating that a Case of Emergency. doth exist, signified by the Secretary at War, or, if in Ireland, by the Chief Secretary or Under Secretary, or the First Clerk in the Military Department, to authorize any General or Field Officer commanding His Majesty's Forces in any District or Place, or to the Chief Acting Agent for the Supply of Stores and Provisions, by Writing under his Hand, reciting such Order of His Majesty or Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor aforesaid, to require all Justices within their several Jurisdictions in England and Ireland to issue their Warrants for the Provision, not only of Waggons, Wains, Carts, and Cars kept by or belonging to any Person, and for any Use whatsoever, but also of Saddle

Horses, Coaches, Post Chaises, Chaises, and other Four-wheeled Carriages kept for Hire, and also of Boats, Barges, and other Vessels used for the Transport of any Commodities whatsoever upon any Canal or navigable River, as shall be mentioned in the said Warrants, therein specifying the Place and Distance to. which such Carriages or Vessels shall go; and on the Production of such Requisition to such Justice by any Officer of the Corps ordered to be conveyed, or by any Officer of the Commissariat or Ordnance Department, such Justice shall take all the same Proceedings in regard to such additional Supply so required on the said Emergency as he is by this Act required to take for the ordinary Provision of Carriages; and all Provisions whatsoever of this Act, as regards the procuring of the ordinary Supply of Carriages, and the Duties of Officers and Non-commissioned Officers, Justices, Constables, and Owners of Carriages, in that Behalf, shall be to all Intents and Purposes applicable for the providing and Payment, according to the Rate of Posting or of Hire usually paid for such other Description of Carriages or Vessels so required on Emergency, according to the Length of the Journey or Voyage in each Case, but making no Allowance for Post Horse Duty, or Turnpike, Canal, River, or Lock Tolls, which Duty or Tolls are hereby declared not to be demandable for such Carriages and Vessels while employed in such Service or returning therefrom; and it shall be lawful to convey thereon, not only the Baggage, Provisions, and Military Stores of such Regiment or Detachment, but also the Officers, Soldiers, Servants, Women, Children, and other Persons of and belonging to the same.

LIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justices of the Peace assembled at their Quarter Sessions to direct imburse the the Treasurer to pay, without Fee, out of the Public Stock of the Constables for Sums expended [No. 4. Price 2d.] D

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Gounty or Riding, or if such Public Stock be insufficient, then out of the Monies which the said Justices shall have Power to raise for that Purpose in like Manner as for County Gaols and Bridges, such reasonable Sums as shall have been expended by the Constables within their respective Jurisdictions for Carriages and Vessels, over and above what was or ought to have been paid by the Officer requiring the same, Regard being had to the Season of the Year and Condition of the Ways by which such Carriages and Vessels are to pass.

LX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor for the Time being of *Ireland* to depute, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, some proper Person to sign Routes in Cases of Emergency, for the marching of any of His Majesty's Forces in *Ireland*, in the Name of such Lord Lieutenant or Chief Governor.

LXI. And be it enacted, That all His Majesty's Officers and Soldiers, being in proper Staff or Regimental or Military Uniform, Dress or Undress, and their Horses, (but not when passing in any hired or private Vehicle,) and all Carriages and Horses belonging to His Majesty, or employed in His Service, when conveying Persons or Baggage under the Provisions of this Act, or returning therefrom, and all Recruits marching by Route, shall be exempted from Payment of any Duties and Tolls on embarking or disembarking from or upon any Pier, Wharf, Quay, or Landing Place, or passing Turnpike Roads or Bridges, otherwise demandable by virtue of any Act already made or hereafter to be made; and any Toll Collector who shall demand and receive Toll from any of His Majesty's Officers or Soldiers, they being in proper Staff or Regimental or Military Uniform, Dress or Undress, or for their Horses, every such Toll Collector shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds for every such Offence, for which Forfeiture and Penalty he shall be prosecuted before a Justice of the Peace, and in no other Way; provided that nothing herein contained shall exempt any Boats, Barges, or other Vessels employed in conveying the said Persons, Horses, Baggage, or Stores along any Canal, from Payment of Tolls, in like Manner as other Boats, Barges, and Vessels are liable thereto, except when employed in Cases of Emergency as herein-before enacted.

LXII. And be it enacted, That when any Soldiers on Service have Occasion in their March to pass regular Ferries in Scotland, the Officer commanding may at his Option pass over with his Soldiers as Passengers, and shall pay for himself and each Soldier One Half only of the ordinary Rate payable by single Persons, or may hire the Ferry Boat for himself and his Party, debarring others for that Time, and shall in such Cases pay only Half the ordinary Rate for such Boat.

LX111. And be it enacted, That if any Constable or other Person, who by virtue of this Act shall be employed in billetting any Officers or Soldiers in any Part of the United Kingdom, shall presume to billet any such Officer or Soldier in any House not within the Meaning of this Act, without the Consent of the 5 Owner

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Owner or Occupier thereof; or shall neglect or refuse to billet any Officer or Soldier on Duty, when thereunto required, in such Manner as is by this Act directed, provided sufficient Notice be given before the Arrival of such Troops; or shall receive, demand, or agree for any Money or Reward whatsoever, in order to excuse any Person from receiving such Officer or Soldier; or shall quarter any of the Wives, Children, Men or Maid Servants of any Officer or Soldier in any such Houses, against the Consent of the Occupiers; or shall neglect or refuse to execute such Warrants of the Justices as shall be directed to him for providing Carriages, Horses, or Vessels, or shall demand more than the legal Rates for the same; or if any Person appointed by such Constable to provide Carriages, Horses, or Vessels shall do any Act or Thing by which the Execution of such Warrants shall be hindered; or if any Constable shall neglect to deliver in to the Justices at Quarter Sessions Lists of Officers and Soldiers of the Foot Guards quartered according to the Provisions of this Act, or shall cause to be delivered defective Lists of the same; or if any Person, liable by this Act to have any Officer or Soldier quartered upon him, shall refuse to receive and to afford proper Accommodation or Diet in the House in which such Officer or Soldier is quartered, and to furnish the several Things directed to be furnished to Officers and Soldiers, . or shall neglect or refuse to furnish good and sufficient Stables, together with good and sufficient Hay and Straw for each Horse, at the Rate established by this Act, and in such Quantities as shall be fixed by His Majesty's Regulations, not exceeding Eighteen Pounds of Hay and Six Pounds of Straw per Diem for each Horse; or if any Innkeeper or Victualler not having good and sufficient Stables shall refuse to pay over to the Person or Persons who may provide Stabling such Allowance by way of Compensation as shall be directed by any Justice of the Peace, or shall pay any Sum or Sums of Money to any Soldier on the March in lieu of furnishing in Kind the Diet and Small Beer to which such Soldier is entitled; such Constable, Victualler, or other Person respectively shall forfeit for every such Offence, Neglect, or Refusal any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings.

LXIV. And be it enacted, That if any Military Officer shall Penalties upon take upon himself to quarter Soldiers otherwise than is limited the Military so and allowed by this Act, or shall use or offer any Menace or Compulsion to or upon any Mayors, Constables, or other Civil Officers, tending to deter and discourage any of them from per-, forming any Part of their Duty under this Act, or tending to induce any of them to do any thing contrary to their said Duty, such Officer shall for every such Offence (being thereof convicted. before any Two or more Justices of the County by the Oath of Two credible Witnesses) be deemed and taken to be ipso facto cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to hold any Military Employment in His Majesty's Service; provided that a Certificate thereof shall be transmitted by the said Justice to the Judge Advocate in London, who is hereby required to certify the same to

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to the Commander in Chief and Secretary at War, and that the said Conviction be affirmed at some Quarter Sessions of the Peace of the said County held next after the Expiration of Three Months after such Certificate of the Justice shall have been transmitted as aforesaid; and if any Military Officer shall take, or knowingly suffer to be taken, any Money or Reward of any Person for excusing the quartering of Officers or Soldiers, or shall billet any of the Wives, Children, Men or Maid Servants of any Officer or Soldier in any House, against the Consent of the Occupier, he shall, upon being convicted thereof before a General Court-martial, be cashiered; and if any Officer shall constrain any Carriage to travel beyond the Distance specified in the Justice's Warrant, or shall not discharge the same in due Time for their Return Home on the same Day, if it be practicable, except in the Case of Emergency, for which the Justice shall have given Licence, or shall compel the Driver of any Carriage to take up any Soldier or Servant (except such as are sick) or any Woman to ride therein, except in Cases of Emergency as aforesaid, or shall force any Constable, by threatening Words, to provide Saddle Horses for himself or Servants, or shall force Horses from their Owners, or in *Ireland* shall force the Ownerto take any Loading until the same shall be first duly weighed, if the same can be done within reasonable Time, or shall, contrary to the Will of the Owner or his Servant, permit any Person whatsoever to put any greater Load upon any Carriage than is directed by this Act, such Officer shall forfeit for every Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings.

Penalty on purchasing Soldiers Necessaries, Stores, &c.

LXV. And be it enacted, That any Person who shall unlawfully have in his or her Possession or Keeping, or who shall knowingly detain, buy, exchange, or receive from any Soldier or Deserter, or any other Person, on any Pretence whatsoever, or shall solicit or entice any Soldier, or shall be employed by any Soldier knowing him to be such, to sell any Arms, Ammunition, Clothes, or Military Furniture, or any Provisions, or any Sheets or other Articles used in Barracks, provided under Barrack Regulations, or Regimental Necessaries, or any Article of Forage provided for any Horses belonging to His Majesty's Service, or shall change the Colour of any Clothes as aforesaid, shall forfeit for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds nor less than Five Pounds, together with Treble Value of all or any of the several Articles of which such Offender shall so become possessed; and if any credible Person shall prove on Oath before a Justice of the Peace a reasonable Cause to suspect that any Person has in his or her Possession, or on his or her Premises, any Property of the Description herein-before described, on or with respect to which any such Offence. shall have been committed, the Justice may grant a Warrant to search for such Property, as in the Case of stolen Goods: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the Legislature of each or of any of His Majesty's Colonies, on the Recommendation of the Officer for the Time being administering the Government. of 8

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of any such Colony, but not otherwise, to make Provision by Law for reducing such pecuniary Penalty, if not exceeding Twenty Pounds nor less than Five Pounds to such Amount as may to any such Legislature appear to be better adapted to the Ability and pecuniary Means of His Majesty's Subjects, and others inhabiting the same; which reduced Penalty shall be sued for and recovered in such and the same Manner as the full Penalty hereby imposed: Provided always, that it shall be competent to His Majesty, or to the Person administering the Government of any such Colony on His Majesty's Behalf, to exercise, in respect of the Laws so to be passed as aforesaid, all such Powers and Authorities as are by Law vested in His Majesty or in any such Officer as aforesaid, in respect of any other Law made or enacted by any such Colonial Legislature.

LXVI. And be it enacted, That all the Persons (except such Penalty on un-Recruiting Parties as may by stationed under Military Command) lawful recruitwho shall cause to be advertised, posted, or dispersed Bills for the Purpose of procuring Recruits or Substitutes for the Line, Embodied Militia, or East India Company's Service, or shall open or keep any House, Place of Rendezvous, or Office, or receive any Person therein under such Bill or Advertisement, as connected with the Recruiting Service, or shall directly or indirectly interfere therewith, without Permission in Writing from the Adjutant General, or from the Directors of the East India Company, (as the Case may be,) shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

LXVII. And be it enacted, That every Person, not being an Penalty on authorized Army Agent, who shall negociate or act as Agent for tratticking in Commissions. and in relation to the Purchase, Sale, or Exchange of any Commission in His Majesty's Forces, shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of One hundred Pounds; and every Person, whether authorized or not as an Army Agent, who shall receive any Money or Reward in respect of any such Purchase, Sale, or Exchange, or shall negociate or receive for any Purpose whatsoever any Money or Consideration where no Price is allowed by His Majesty's Regulations, or any Money or Consideration exceeding the Amount so allowed, shall forfeit One hundred Pounds, and Treble the Value of the Consideration where the Commission is not allowed to be sold, or Treble the Excess of such Consideration beyond the regular Price.

LXVIII. And for the better Preservation of Game and Fish Penalty on in or near such Places where any Officers shall at any Time be killing Game. quartered, be it enacted, That every Officer who shall, without Leave in Writing from the Persons entitled to grant such Leave, take, kill, or destroy any Game or Fish in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and upon Complaint thereof shall be, upon Oath of One or more credible Witnesses, convicted before any Justice, shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds.

LXIX. And be it enacted, That no Officer of His Majesty's Officers not Forces residing in Barracks or elsewhere under Military Law liable to take shall be deemed liable to have any Parish Poor Child bound Parish Appren-Apprentice to him.

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Mode of recording a Soldier's Settlement.

LXX. And be it enacted, That any Justice in the United Kingdom, within whose Jurisdiction any Soldier in the Regular Army, or on the permanent Staff of the Militia, having a Wife or Child, shall be billetted, may summon such Soldier before him in the Place where he is billetted, (which Summons he is hereby directed to obey,) and take his Examination in Writing, upon Oath, touching the Place of his last legal Settlement in England, and such Justice shall give an attested Copy of such Examination to the Person examined, to be by him delivered to his Commanding Officer, to be produced when required; which said Examination and such attested Copy shall be at any Time admitted in Evidence as to such last legal Settlement before any Justice or at any General or Quarter Sessions, although such Soldier be dead or absent from the Kingdom; provided that in case any Soldier shall be again summoned to make Oath as aforesaid, then, on such Examination or such attested Copy thereof being produced by him, or by any other Person on his Behalf, such Soldier shall not be obliged to take any other Oath with regard to his legal Settlement, but shall leave a Copy of such Examination, or a Copy of such attested Copy of Examination, if required.

LXXI. And be it enacted, That the Churchwardens of every Parish in *England* and *Ireland*, and the Constables or other Officers of every Parish or Place in *Scotland*, on receiving a Notification from the Secretary at War of the Names of any Soldiers belonging to the said Parish who have, for meritorious Conduct in the Army, received His Majesty's special Approbation, or who, in consequence of Misconduct, have been dismissed His Majesty's Service with Disgrace, shall affix such Notification on the Outside of the Door of the Church or Chapel belonging to such Parish or Place on the *Sunday* next succeeding the Receipt of the said Notification.

LXXII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Justice, before whom any Recruit shall be attested before the Expiration of the Term of Service for which he had been hired by his Master, to adjudge to such Recruit a reasonable Proportion of his Wages for the Time he has actually served; and the said Justice shall make an Order for the Payment of the Amount so awarded, and, in case of Neglect or Refusal to pay the same within Four Days, shall issue his Warrant for levying the same by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Master.

LXXIII. And be it enacted, That when any Persons shall hold any Canteens under proper Authority of the Board of Ordnance, it shall be lawful for any Two Justices, within their respective Jurisdictions, to grant or transfer any Beer, Wine, or Spirit Licence to such Persons, without regard to Time of Year or to the Notices or Certificates required by any Act in respect of such Licences; and the Commissioners of Excise, or their proper Officers, within their respective Districts, shall also grant such Licences as aforesaid; and such Persons so holding Canteens, and having such Licences, may sell therein Victuals and Exciseable Liquors as empowered by such Excise Licence, without being subject to any Penalty or Forfeiture.

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LXXIV. And be it enacted, That all Muster Rolls and Pay Attestation of Lists which are required to be verified by Declaration shall be Accounts. so verified before and attested by any Justice, without Fee or Reward to himself or to his Clerk.

LXXV. And be it enacted, That any Action which shall Forms of be brought against any Person for any thing to be done in pur- Actions at Law suance of this Act shall be brought within Six Months, and it shall be lawful for every such Person to plead thereunto the General Issue of Not Guilty, and to give all special Matter in Evidence to the Jury which shall try the Issue; and if the Verdict shall be for the Defendant in any such Action, or the Plaintiff therein become nonsuited or suffer any Discontinuance thereof, or if, in Scotland, such Court shall see fit to assoilzie the Defendant or dismiss the Complaint, the Court in which the said Matter shall be tried shall allow unto the Defendant Treble Costs, for which the said Defendant shall have the like Remedy as in other Cases where Costs by the Laws of this Realm are given to Defendants; and every Action against any Person for any thing to be done in pursuance of this Act, or against any Member or Minister of a Court-martial in respect of any Sentence of such Court, or of any thing done by virtue or in pursuance of such Sentence, shall be brought in some of the Courts of Record at Westminster or in Dublin, or the Court of Session in Scotland, and in no other Court whatsoever.

LXXVI. And be it enacted, That all Offences for which any Recovery of Penalties and Forfeitures are by this Act imposed not exceeding Penalties. Twenty Pounds, over and above any Forfeiture of Value or Treble Value, shall and may be determined, and such Penalties and Forfeitures, and Forfeiture of Value or Treble Value recovered, in every Part of the United Kingdom, by One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace, under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to facilitate summary Proceedings before Justices 3 0.4. c. 23. of the Peace and others, and of another Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for the more effectual Recovery of Penalties 50.4. c. 18. before Justices and Magistrates on Conviction of Offenders, for facilitating the Execution of Warrants by Constables : Provided always, that in all Cases in which there shall not be sufficient Goods whereon any Penalty or Forfeiture can be levied, the Offender may be committed and imprisoned for any Time not exceeding Six Months; which said recited Acts shall be used and applied, in Scotland, for the Recovery of all such Penalties and Forfeitures, as fully, to all Intents, as if the said recited Acts had extended to Scotland, any thing in the said recited Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and all such Offences committed in the British Isles, or in any of His Majesty's Dominions beyond the Seas, may be determined, and the Penalties and Forfeitures and Forfeiture of Value or Treble Value recovered, before any Justices of the Peace, or Persons exercising like Authority, according to the Laws of the Part of His Majesty's Dominions in which the Offence shall be committed; and all Penalties and **D**4 **Forfeitures**

Forfeitures by this Act imposed exceeding Twenty Pounds shall be recovered by Action in some of the Courts of Record at *Westminster* or in *Dublin*, or in the Court of Sessions in *Scotland*, and in no other Court in the United Kingdom, and may be recovered in the *British* Isles, or in any other Parts of His Majesty's Dominions, in any of the Royal or Superior Courts of such Isles or other Parts of His Majesty's Dominions.

LXXVII. And be it enacted, That one Moiety of every Penalty, not including any Treble Value of any Articles, adjudged or recovered under the Provisions of this Act, shall go to the Person who shall inform or sue for the same, and the Remainder of the Penalty, together with the Treble Value of any Articles, or, where the Offence shall be proved by the Person who shall inform, the Whole of the Penalty shall be paid to the General Agent for the Recruiting Service in London or Dublin, as the Case may be, to be at the Disposal of the Secretary at War, any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to provide for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in England and Wales, or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament, to the contrary notwithstanding; and every Justice who shall adjuge any Penalty under this Act shall, within Four Days at the farthest, report the same to the Secretary at War.

LXXVIII. And be it enacted, That all Oaths which are authorized and required by this Act may be administered (unless where otherwise provided) by any Justice of the Peace, or Magistrate acting as such; and that any Person taking a false Oath in any Case wherein an Oath is required to be taken by this Act shall be deemed guilty of wilful and corrupt Perjury, and being thereof duly convicted shall be liable to such Pains and Penalties as by any Laws now in force any Persons convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury are subject and liable to.

LXXIX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be and continue in force within Great Britain from the Twenty-fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven inclusive until the Twenty-fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and shall be and continue in force . within Ireland, and in Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, and Isle of Man, and the Islands thereto belonging, from the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven inclusive until the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and shall be and continue in force within the Garrison of Gibraltar, the Mediterranean, and in Spain and Portugal, from the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven inclusive until the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and shall be and continue in force in all other Parts of Europe where His Majesty's Forces may be serving, and in the West Indies and America, from the First Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven inclusive to the First Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and shall be and continue in force within the Cape of Good Hope, the Isle of France or Mauritius and

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and its Dependencies, Saint Helena, and the Western Coast of Africa, from the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive to the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine; and shall be and continue in force in all other Places from the First Day of February One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine inclusive to the First Day of February One thousand eight hundred and forty: Provided that this Act shall, from and after the Receipt and Promulgation thereof in General Orders in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions beyond the Seas, become and be in full Force; any thing herein-before contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

LXXX. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered, Alteration of varied, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this Ses- the Act. sion of Parliament.

SCHEDULES to which this Act refers.

FORM of OATHS to be taken by MEMBERS of COURTS-MARTIAL.

YOU shall well and truly try and determine according to the Evidence in the Matter now before you.

So help you GOD.

do swear, That I will duly administer Justice, according to the Rules and Articles for the better Government of His Majesty's Forces, and according to an Act now in force for the Punishment of Mutiny and Desertion, and other Crimes therein mentioned, without Partiality, Favour, or Affection, and if any Doubt shall arise which is not explained by the said Articles or Act, according to my Conscience, the best of my Understanding, and the Custom of War in the like Cases: And I further swear, That I will not divulge the Sentence of the Court until it shall be duly approved; neither will I, upon any Account, at any Time whatsoever, disclose or discover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unless required to give Evidence thereof as a Witness by a Court of Justice or a Court-martial in due Course of Law.

So help me GOD.

FORM OF OATH OF JUDGE ADVOCATE.

do swear, That I will not, upon any Account whatsoever, disclose or discover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unless required to give Evidence thereof as a Witness by a Court of Justice or a Courtmartial in a due Course of Law. So help me GOD.

QUESTIONS to be put separately by the JUSTICE to a RECRUIT:

Enlisting for unlimited Service.

- 1. What is your Name?
- 2. In what Parish, and in or near what Town, and in what County were you born?

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- 3. What is your Age?
- 4. What is your Trade or Calling?
- 5. Are you an Apprentice?
- 6. Are you married?
- 7. Are you ruptured or lame; have you ever been subject to Fits; or have you any Disability or Disorder which impedes the free Use of your Limbs, or unfits you for ordinary Labour?
- 8. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the Regiment of discharged ?
- 9. On what Day and by whom were you enlisted?
- 10. For what Bounty did you enlist?
- 11. Do you now belong to the Militia?
- 12. Do you belong to any other Regiment, or to the Marines, Ordnance, or Navy?
- 13. Have you ever served in the Army, Marines, Ordnance, or Navy?
- Note.— The Justice is directed, in putting the Eleventh Question to the Recruit, and before he receives his Answer, distinctly to apprize the Recruit that if he belongs to the Militia, and denies the Fact, he is liable to Six Months Imprisonment.

Enlisting for limited Service.

The preceding Questions to be put by the Justice, except Question 8, which is to be as follows:

8. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the

Regiment of for the Period

(this Blank to be filled up by the Justice [with Seven Years for Infantry, Ten Years for Cavalry, and Twelve Years for the Artillery, if the Person enlisted is of the Age of Eighteen Years or upwards; but if under the Age of Eighteen Years, then the Difference between his Age and Eighteen to be added to such Seven, Ten, or Twelve Years, us the Case may be,] Years, provided His Majesty should for so long require your Service, and also for such further Term, not exceeding Six Months, as shall be directed by the Commanding Officer on any Foreign Satation, and not exceeding Three Years, as shall be directed by any Proclamation of His Majesty, such additional Period, in the latter Case, to determine whenever Six Months of continued Peace, to be reckoned from the Ratification of any definitive Treaty, shall have elapsed subsequent to the Expiration of the said [Seven, Ten, or Twelve, as the Case may be,] Years?

Enlisting for either His Majesty's or the East India Company's Service.

Question 8 is to be put by the Justice as follows:

8. Are you willing to be attested to serve in His Majesty's Army, or in the Forces of the *East India* Company, according as His Majesty shall think fit to order, until you shall be duly and legally discharged?

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Enlisting for the East India Company's Service.

Question 8 to be put by the Justice as follows:

8. Are you willing to be attested to serve the East India Company until you shall be legally discharged? [Or if the Recruit enlist for limited Service then insert, for the Period of Twelve Years, [if the Person enlisting is of the Age of Eighteen Years or upwards, but if under Eighteen Years, then the Difference between his Age and Eighteen to be added to such Twelve Years, as the Case may be, and such Period to be inserted instead of Twelve Years,] provided the said United Company should so long require your Service?

OATH to be taken by a RECRUIT enlisting for unlimited or limited Service.

I do make Oath, That the above Questions have been separately put to me; that the Answers thereto have been read over to me; and that they are the same that I gave, and are true.

I do also make Oath, That I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and that I will, as in Duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity, against all Enemies, and will observe and obey all Orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me GOD.

Witness my Hand

Signature of Recruit. Witness present.

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If enlisting for either His Majesty's or the East India Company's Service, the following Addition is to be made to the foregoing Oath.

And that if His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, shall please to appoint me to serve in the Forces of the *East India* Company, then I swear, that I will also be true to the said United Company, and will duly observe and obey all their Orders, and the Orders of their Generals and Officers who shall be lawfully set over me.

If enlisting for the East India Company's Service, the following is to be added to the Oath.

And that I will also be true to the said United Company, and will duly observe and obey all their Orders, and the Orders of their Generals and Officers who shall be lawfully set over me.

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CERTIFICATE to be given by the JUSTICE.

Description of Age, apparently Height Feet Complexion, Eyes, Hair,

Inches."

Any distinctive Mark.

one of His Majesty's Justices to wit. } I of the Peace of do hereby certify, That the above is the Description of the Recruit ; and in my Presence all the foregoing Questions were put to the said ; that the Answers written opposite to them are those which he gave to me; and that the First and Second Articles of the Second Section of the Articles of War were read over to him; that he took the Oath of Allegiance and Fidelity; that he received the Sum of on being attested this Day; and that I have given him a Duplicate of this Certificate, signed with my Name.

Signature of the Justice.

FORM of OATH to be taken by a MASTER whose Apprentice has absconded.

of do make Oath, That I am by , and that Trade a was bound to serve as an Apprentice to me in the said Trade, by Indenture dated the Day of for the Term of Years; and that the said did on or about the abscond and quit my Service Day of without my Consent; and that to the best of my Knowledge and Belief the said is aged about Years. Witness my Hand at the Day of One thousand eight hundred and

Sworn before me at this Day of One thousand eight hundred and

FORM of JUSTICE'S CERTIFICATE to be given to the MASTER of an Apprentice.

one of His Majesty's Justices of the to wit. } Peace of certify, That of came before me at the Day of , and made Oath that • One thousand eight hundred and , and that he was by Trade a was bound to serve as an Apprentice to him in the said Trade, by Indenture dated the Day of for the Term of

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Years; and that the said Apprentice did on or about the Day of abscond and quit the Service of the said without his Consent, and that to the best of his

Knowledge and Belief the said Apprentice is aged about Years.

Form of Declaration of Attestation of a Commissary's Accounts.

I do solemnly and sincerely declare, That I have not applied any Money or Stores or Supplies, under my Care or Distribution, to my own Use, or to the private Use of any other Person by way of Loan to such Person or otherwise, or in any Manner applied them, or knowingly permitted them to be applied, to any other than public Purposes, according to the Duty of my Office; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His Majesty King William the Fourth, Chapter 62, for the Abolition of unnecessary Oaths, and for substituting Declarations in lieu thereof.

Declared before me by the within-named }

this

Day of Justice of the Peace for the County of , or Commander in Chief, or Second in Command, et cætera, the Army serving in et cætera,

[as the Case may be.]

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An Act for the Regulation of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on Shore. [21st April 1837.] WHEREAS it is judged necessary for the Safety of the United Kingdom, and the Defence of the Possessions of United Kingdom, and the Defence of the Possessions of ' this Realm, that a Body of Royal Marine Forces should be ' employed in His Majesty's Fleet and Naval Service, under the ' Direction of the Lord High Admiral of the said United ' Kingdom, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of · Lord High Admiral aforesaid: And whereas the said Forces ' may frequently be quartered or be on shore, or sent to do ' Duty or be on board Transport Ships, or Merchant Ships or ' Vessels, or Ships or Vessels of His Majesty, or other Ships or ' Vessels, or they may be under other Circumstances in which ' they will not be subject to the Laws relating to the Govern-' ment of His Majesty's Forces by Sea: And whereas no Man ' can be forejudged of Life or Limb, or subjected in Time of Peace to any Kind of Punishment within this Realm, by ' Martial Law, or in any other Manner than by the Judgment of his Peers, and according to the known and established · Laws of this Realm; yet nevertheless, it being requisite for ' the retaining of such Forces in their Duty that an exact ' Discipline be observed, and that Marines who shall mutiny ' or stir up Sedition, or shall desert His Majesty's Service, or ' be guilty of any other Crime in breach of good Order and 'Discipline, be brought to a more exemplary and speedy ' Punishment than the usual Forms of the Law will allow:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Crimes punish-Twenty-fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and able by Death. thirty-seven, if any Person who is or shall be commissioned or in Pay as an Officer of Royal Marines, or who is or shall be listed or in Pay as a Non-commissioned Officer, Drummer, or Private Man in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, shall at any Time during the Continuance of this Act, while on shore in any Place within the said Kingdom, or in any other of His Majesty's Dominions, or in any Foreign Parts out of such Dominions, or on board any Transport Ship, or Merchant Ship or Vessel, or any Ship or Vessel of His Majesty, or on board any Convict Hulk or Ship, or any other Ship or Vessel, or in any other Place, or while being in any Circumstances in which he shall not be subject to the Laws relating to the Government of His Majesty's Forces by Sea, begin, excite, cause, or join in any Mutiny or Sedition in His Majesty's Marine or other Forces, or shall not use his utmost Endeavours to suppress any such Mutiny or Sedition, or coming to the Knowledge of any Mutiny or intended Mutiny shall not without Delay give Information thereof to his Commanding Officer; or shall misbehave

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have himself before the Enemy; or shall shamefully abandon or deliver up any Garrison, Fortress, Post, or Guard committed to his Charge or which he shall be commanded to defend; or shall compel the Governor or Commanding Officer of any Garrison, Fortress, or Post to deliver up to the Enemy or to abandon the same; or shall speak Words or use any other Means to induce such Governor or Commanding Officer or any other to misbehave before the Enemy, or shamefully to abandon or deliver up any Garrison, Fortress, Post, or Guard committed to their respective Charge, or which he or they shall be commanded to defend; or shall leave his Post before relieved, or shall be found sleeping on his Post; or shall hold Correspondence with or give Advice or Intelligence to any Rebel, Pirate, or Enemy of His Majesty, either by Letters, Messages, Signs, Tokens, or any other Ways or Means whatever; or shall treat or enter into any Terms with any such Rebel, Pirate, or Enemy, without the Licence of the Lord High Admiral of the said United Kingdom, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid, for the Time being; or shall strike or use or offer any Violence against his Superior Officer being in the Execution of his Office, or shall disobey any lawful Command of his Superior Officer; or shall desert His Majesty's Service; every Person so offending in any of the Matters before mentioned shall suffer Death, or such other Punishment as by a Court-martial shall be awarded.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to exempt any Officer or Marine from being proceeded against by the ordinary Course of Law for Crimes thereby cognizable; and any Commanding Officer who shall neglect or refuse, when due Application shall be made to him for that Purpose, to deliver over to the Civil Magistrate any Officer or Marine charged with any Capital Crime, or with any Violence or Offence against the Person or Property of any of His Majesty's Subjects punishable by the known Laws of the Land, or who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to assist any Peace Officer in apprehending any such Offender, shall, upon Conviction thereof in any of His Majesty's Courts at Westminster, Dublin, or Edinburgh, be deemed to be ipso facto cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment in His Majesty's Service; and a Certificate of such Conviction shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Admiralty: Provided always, that no Person who shall have been tried before any of the ordinary Courts of Law for any Crime cognizable in such Courts shall be liable to be punished for the same by any Court-martial

otherwise than by cashiering. III. And be it enacted, That no Person enlisted in His Majesty's Service as a Marine shall be liable to be arrested or taken therefrom by the Warrant of any Magistrate or other Process for not supporting or for leaving chargeable on any Parish, Township, or Union any Wife or any Child or Children, nor, except in the Case of an Apprentice, on account of any Breach

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Breach of Contract or Engagement to serve or work for any Employer; and that no Marine shall be liable to be arrested and taken out of His Majesty's Service for Debt by any Process or Execution whatsoever, unless an Affidavit shall be first duly made and filed by the Plaintiff in the Suit, or by some one on his Behalf, for which no Fee shall be taken, that the original Debt for which the Action has been brought amounts to the Sum of Thirty Pounds at least, over and above all Costs in that or any other Action, a Memorandum of which Oath shall be marked on the Back of such Process and of the Warrant grounded thereon; and in case any Person shall nevertheless contrary hereto be arrested, it shall be lawful for any Judge of the Court out of which the Process shall have issued, and he is hereby required, upon Complaint made by the Person arrested, or by his Superior Officer, and upon due Proof thereof being made to him that such Arrest was made contrary to the Intent and Meaning of this Act, to discharge the Person so arrested out of Custody, and also to award to the Party complaining such Costs as such Judge shall think reasonable; for the Recovery whereof he shall have the like Remedy by Writ of Execution as that which the Plaintiff in the Suit might have had in case Judgment had been given for him in the Action.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Admiral, Sec. Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid, to make, ordain, and Articles for establish Rules and Articles of War under the Hand of the Punishment of said Lord High Admiral, or under the Hands of any Two or Mutiny, Desermore of the said Commissioners, for the better Government of tion, &c. His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, and for the Punishment of Mutiny, Desertion, Immorality, Breach of Discipline, Misbehaviour, Neglect of Duty, and any other Offence or Misconduct of which they shall be guilty, in any Place on shore or afloat in or out of His Majesty's Dominions, or at any Time when or under any Circumstances in which they shall not be amenable to the Laws for the Government of His Majesty's Ships, Vessels, and Forces by Sea, or to the Discipline of the Royal Navy, which Rules and Articles shall be judicially taken notice of by all Judges and in all Courts whatsoever; and Copies of the same shall, as soon as conveniently may be after the same shall have been made, be transmitted by the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Time being (certified under his Hand) to the Judges of His Majesty's Superior Courts at Westminster, Dublin, and Edinburgh respectively, and also to the Governors of His Majesty's Dominions Abroad : Provided always, that no Person shall be subject by such Rules and Articles to any Punishment extending to Life or Limb for any Crime which is not expressed to be so punishable by this Act, nor in any Manner nor under any Regulations which shall not accord with the Provisions of this Act.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the may grant Office of Lord High Admiral aforesaid, from Time to Time to Commissions grant Commissions or Warrants under the Hand of the said for holding General Courts-

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Lord High Admiral, or under the Hands of any Two or more of the said Commissioners, for the holding of General and other Courts-martial within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in like Manner as has been heretofore used; and for bringing Offenders against the Articles of War to Justice, and to erect and constitute Courts-martial, as well within the said United Kingdom and the British Isles as in any of His Majesty's Garrisons or Dominions, or elsewhere beyond the Seas, and to grant Commissions or Warrants to the Officer or Officers commanding in chief or commanding for the Time being any of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, as well within the said United Kingdom as elsewhere beyond the Seas, for convening, as well as for authorizing any Officer not below the Degree of a Field Officer to convene, Courts-martial, as Occasion may require, for the Trial of Offences committed by any of the Royal Marine Forces under their Command, whether the same shall have been committed before or after such Officer shall have taken upon himself such Command; and any Person subject to this Act, who shall in any of His Majesty's Dominions beyond the Seas or elsewhere commit any of the Offences for which he may be liable to be tried by Court-martial by virtue of this Act, may be tried and punished for the same in any other Part of His Majesty's Dominions where he may have come after the Commission of the Offence, as if the Offence had been committed where such Trial shall take place.

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VI. And be it enacted, That a General Court-martial convened in any Part of the King's Dominions, (Bermuda, the Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Colonies excepted,) or in the Settlements of the East India Company, or elsewhere, shall consist of not less than Thirteen Commissioned Officers, and if convened in Bermuda or the Bahamas, or out of the King's Dominions (excepting Africa and the Australian Colonies), shall have not less than Seven, and in Africa and the Australian Colonies not less than Five Commissioned Officers; and in all Cases no Judgment of Death shall pass without the Concurrence of Two Thirds at the least of the Members present; and the President shall in no Case be the Officer commanding in chief or Governor of the Garrison where the Offender shall be tried, nor under the Degree of a Field Officer, unless where a Field Officer cannot be had, nor in any Case whatsoever under the Degree of a Captain.

VII. And be it enacted, That all and every Court-martial shall have Power and Authority and is hereby required to administer the requisite Oath, in the usual Form, to every Person who shall be examined as a Witness before any such Courtmartial, previous to his giving Evidence thereat.

VIII. And be it enacted, That in all Trials by General Courtsmartial to be held by virtue of this Act, every Member of such Court shall, before any Proceedings be had thereupon, take the Oaths for that Purpose set forth in the Schedule to this Act annexed, before the Judge Advocate or Person officiating as such, and on Trials by other Courts-martial before the President sident thereof, who are hereby respectively authorized to administer the same; and so soon as such Oaths shall have been administered to the respective Members, the President of the Court (having himself taken the said Oath, to be administered to him by any sworn Member,) is hereby authorized and required to administer to the Judge Advocate, or the Person officiating as such, the Oath in the Schedule to this Act for that Purpose annexed; and that no Proceeding or Trial shall be had upon any Offence but between the Hours of Eight of the Clock in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon, except in Cases which may require an immediate Example, and except in the East Indies, where such Trial may be held between the Hours of Six in the Morning and Four in the Afternoon.

IX. ' And whereas it may be expedient in many Cases that Officers of the ' Officers of the Land Forces should be associated with Royal Marine and ' Marine Officers for the Purpose of holding Courts-martial ;' be it enacted, That when and as often as it shall be deemed neces-junction on sary it shall and may be lawful for Officers of Royal Marines Courts-martial. and of the Land Forces to sit in conjunction on any Courtmartial to be held under the Authority of this Act, and to proceed on the Trial of any Marine Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, Drummer, or Private Man, in like Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if such Court-martial were composed of Marine Officers only, and whether the Officer by whose Order such Court-martial is assembled belong to the Land or the Marine Forces; and the Officers composing such Court shall in such Cases take Rank according to the Seniority of their Commissions in either Service.

X. And be it enacted, That a General Court-martial may General Courtssentence any Marine to Imprisonment, solitary or otherwise, martial may and with or without hard Labour, in any public Prison or sentence Offenother Place which the Court may appoint, or to Corporal somment, &c. Punishment not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty; and a General Courtmartial may, in addition to any such Punishment as aforesaid, sentence any Offender to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and Pension on Discharge; and whensoever any General Court-martial by which any Marine shall have been tried and convicted of any Offence punishable with Death shall not think the Offence deserving of Capital Punishment, such Court-martial may, instead of awarding a Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, adjudge the Offender, according to the Degree of the Offence, to be transported as a Felon for Life or for a certain Term of Years, or to general Service as a Soldier in any Corps and in any Country or Place which His Majesty shall be pleased to direct, or if such Offender shall have enlisted for any limited Term, may sentence him to serve for Life as a Soldier in any Corps which His Majesty shall be pleased to direct; and such Court may, in addition to any other Punishment, sentence any such Offender to forfeit all Advantage as to Increase of Pay, or as to Pension on Discharge, which might otherwise have accrued to such Offender : Provided always, that

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in all Cases where a Capital Punishment shall have been awarded by a General Court-martial it shall be lawful for His Majesty, instead of causing such Sentence to be carried into execution, to order the Offender to be transported as a Felon, either for Life or for a certain Term of Years, as to His Majesty shall seem meet; and if any Person who shall have been so adjudged or ordered to be transported, whether by the Sentence of a Court-martial or in pursuance of such Order of His Majesty, shall afterwards, without Licence from His Majesty or other lawful Authority, return to or be found at large in any Part of His Majesty's Dominions, either abroad or at home, other than the Place to which he shall have been adjudged or ordered to be transported, before the Expiration of the Term limited by such Sentence or Order, any such Offender, being duly convicted thereof, shall suffer Death as a Felon.

XI. And be it enacted, That a District or Garrison Courtmartial shall consist of not less than Seven Commissioned Officers, except in Bermuda, the Bahamas, Africa, and the Australian Colonies, where it may consist of not less than Five Commissioned Officers; and that it shall be lawful for such Court, although assembled under the Authority of an Act of the present Session of Parliament, for punishing Mutiny and Desertion, and for the better Payment of the Army and their Quarters, to proceed to try any Marine or Marines below the Rank of a Commissioned Officer for any Offence committed by any of them while serving in conjunction with His Majesty's Land Forces, and to sentence any such Marine to any Imprisonment, solitary or otherwise, and with or without hard Labour, in any public Prison or other Place which such Court may appoint, or to Corporal Punishment not extending to Life or Limb, for Immorality, Misbehaviour, or Neglect of Duty; and such Court may, in addition to either of the said Punishments, sentence a Marine to Forfeiture of all Advantage as to additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, for disgraceful Conduct in wilfully maiming or injuring himself, or any other Marine at the Instance of such Marine, with Intent to render himself or such other Marine unfit for the Service; in tampering with his Eyes; in malingering, feigning Disease, absenting himself from Hospital while under Medical Care, or other gross Violation of the Rules of any Hospital, thereby wilfully producing or aggravating Disease or Infirmity, or wilfully delaying his Cure; in purloining or selling Government Stores; in stealing any Money or Goods the Property of a Comrade, of a Military Officer, or of any Military or Divisional or Regimental Mess: in producing false or fraudulent Accounts or Returns; in embezzling or fraudulently misapplying Public Money intrusted to him; or for any other disgraceful Conduct, being of a cruel, indecent, unnatural, felonious, or fraudulent Nature; and such Offender may be further put under Stoppages, not exceeding Two Thirds of his daily Pay, until the Amount be made good of any Loss or Damage arising out of his Misconduct; and if any Marine shall be convicted of any such disgraceful Conduct, and

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and shall be sentenced to Forfeiture of his Claim to Pension, the Court may further recommend him to be discharged with Ignominy from His Majesty's Service; and any such Court shall deprive a Marine, if convicted of the Charge of habitual Drunkenness, of his Liquor when issued in Kind, or of his Allowance in lieu of Beer or Liquor, or of additional Pay, or of such Portion of his daily Pay, for any Period not exceeding Two Years, as may accord with the Rules and Articles of War, subject to Restoration on subsequent good Conduct; and in addition to any such Punishment, the Court may, if it shall think fit, sentence such Offender to Imprisonment or to Corporal Punishment; provided that in all the aforegoing Cases the Sentence of a District or Garrison Court-martial shall be confirmed by the General Officer, Governor, or Senior Officer in command of the District, Garrison, Island, or Colony; and the President of every Courtmartial, other than a General Court-martial, not being under the Rank of Captain, shall be appointed by the Officer convening such Court-martial: Provided always, that such Court-martial shall not have Power to pass any Sentence of Death or Transportation.

XII. And be it enacted, That in Cases of Mutiny and gross Divisional Insubordination, or any Offences committed on the Line of Courts-martial. March, the Offence may be tried by a Divisional Court-martial, and the Sentence confirmed and carried into execution on the Spot by the Officer in the immediate Command of the Troops; provided that the Sentence shall not exceed that which a Divisional Court-martial is competent to award; and a Divisional Court-martial may sentence any Marine to Imprisonment, with or without hard Labour, for any Period not exceeding Thirty Days, and to solitary Confinement not exceeding Twenty Days.

XIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Detachment Officer commanding any distinct Detachment or Portion of His Courts-martial. Majesty's Royal Marine Forces which may at any Time be serving out of His Majesty's Dominions, upon Complaint made to him of any Offence committed against the Property or Person of any Inhabitant of or Resident in any such Countries by any Person under the immediate Command of any such Officer, to summon and cause to be assembled a Court-martial, which shall consist of not less than Three Officers, for the Trial of any such Person, notwithstanding such Officer shall not have received any Warrant empowering him to assemble Courtsmartial; and every such Court-martial shall have the same Powers in regard to summoning and examining Witnesses, Trial of and Sentence upon Offenders, as are granted by this Act to General Courts-martial: Provided that no Sentence of any such Court-martial shall be executed until the General commanding in chief the Army to which the Division, Brigade, Detachment, or Party to which any Person so tried shall belong shall have approved and confirmed the same.

XIV. And be it enacted, That every Marine convicted of Marking a Desertion by any Court-martial, or of Felony in any Court of Deserter. Criminal Judicature, shall thereupon forfeit all Advantage as to E 3 additional

additional Pay, and to Pension on Discharge, in addition to any other Punishment which such Court may award; and it shall be lawful for any General Court-martial assembled to try the Crime of Desertion, in addition to any other Punishment such Court may award, to direct that the Offender be marked on the Left Side, Two Inches below the Arm Pit, with the Letter D, such Letter not to be less than Half an Inch long, and to be marked on the Skin with some Ink or Gunpowder, or other Preparation, so as to be visible and conspicuous, and not liable to be obliterated.

XV. And be it enacted, That every Officer and other Person employed in the Care or Distribution of any Money, Provisions, Forage, or Stores belonging to His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces or for their Use, who shall embezzle or fraudulently misapply, or cause to be embezzled or fraudulently misapplied, or shall wilfully suffer any Money, Provisions, Forage, Arms, Clothes, Ammunition, or other Military or Royal Marine Stores to be embezzled or fraudulently misapplied, or to be spoiled or damaged, may be tried for the same by a General Court-martial, which is hereby empowered to adjudge any such Offender to be transported as a Felon for Life or for any certain Term of Years, or to suffer such Punishment of Fine, Imprisonment, Dismissal from His Majesty's Service, with Incapacity of serving His Majesty in any Office, Civil or Military, as such Court shall think fit, according to the Nature and Degree of the Offence; and that such Person shall, in addition to any other Punishment, make good at his own Expence the Loss and Damage thereby sustained, to be ascertained by such Court-martial, which shall have Power to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned until the same, and any Fine which may be imposed, be paid and satisfied to His Majesty.

XVI. And be it enacted, That all Witnesses, whether Military or otherwise, duly summoned by the Judge Advocate, or the Person appointed to officiate as such, or by the President of a District, Garrison, or Divisional Court-martial, or by the Adjutant at the Head Quarters of the Division at which such Court shall be appointed to be held, to give Evidence on any Courtmartial, shall, during their necessary Attendance in such Courts, and in going to and returning from the same, be privileged from Arrest, and shall, if nevertheless arrested contrary to the Intent of this Act, be forthwith discharged out of Custody by the Order of the Court out of which the Writ or Process for such Arrest was issued; and if such Court shall not be then sitting, then by the Order of any Judge of the Court of King's Bench at Westminster or Dublin, or of the Courts of Session in Scotland, or Courts of Law elsewhere, as the Case may require, upon its being made appear to such Court or Judge, by Affidavit in a summary Way, that such Witness was arrested in going to or returning from or attending such Court-martial; and every Person so duly summoned as a Witness who shall not attend, or attending shall refuse to be sworn, or being sworn shall refuse to give Evidence at any such Court-martial, or to answer all such Ques-12 tions

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tions as the Court may legally demand of him, shall be liable to be attached, proceeded against, and punished in the Court of King's Bench at Westminster or Dublin, or Court of Session or other Court of Law, or elsewhere, in the same Manner as Per-

sons disobeying the Subpœna to testify, or any similar Process

of such Courts, are liable to be proceeded against and punished. XVII. And be it enacted, That whenever His Majesty shall Transportation intend any Sentence of Transportation to be carried into execu- of Offenders. tion, or shall be graciously pleased to extend His Royal Mercy, upon Condition of Transportation, to any Offender subject to the Punishment of Death by the Sentence of a General Courtmartial, or when any Offender shall by Sentence of Court-martial under this Act be adjudged to be transported, such Sentence (together with His Majesty's Pleasure upon the same, in Cases of Commutation of Sentence,) shall be notified in Writing by the Lord High Admiral, or by any Two or more of the Commissioners for executing the said Office of Lord High Admiral, for the Time being, to any Justice of the King's Bench, Common Pleas, or Baron of the Exchequer, and thereupon such Justice or Baron shall make an Order for the Transportation of such Offender upon the Terms and for the Time which shall be specified in such Notification, and shall also do all such other Acts consequent upon the same as any such Justice or Baron is authorized to make or do by any Statute or Statutes in force at the Time of making any such Orders in relation to the Transportation of Offenders; and such Order, and other Acts to be so made and done as aforesaid, shall be obeyed and executed by such Person in whose Custody such Offender shall at that Time be, and by all other Persons whom it may concern, and shall be as effectual, and have all the same Consequences, as any Order made under the Authority of any Statute with respect to any Offender in such Statute mentioned; and every Sheriff, Gaoler, Keeper, Governor, or Superintendent whom it may concern, and all Constables and other Persons, shall be bound to obey the aforesaid Order and Orders, be assistant in the Execution thereof, and be liable to the same Punishment for Disobedience or interrupting the Execution of the same as they would be if the same had been made under the Authority of any other Act of Parliament; and every Person so ordered to be transported as aforesaid shall be subject respectively to all and every the Penalties and Provisions made by Law and in force concerning Persons convicted of any Crime, and sentenced to be transported, or receiving His Majesty's Pardon on Condition of Transportation; and from the Time when such Order of Transportation shall be made every Law and Statute now in force touching the Escape of Felons or their afterwards returning, or their being at large without Leave, shall apply to such Offender, and to all Persons aiding, abetting, contriving, or assisting in any Escape or intended Escape, or the returning without Leave of any such Offender; and the Judge who shall make any Order of Transportation as aforesaid shall direct the Notification of His Majesty's Pleasure, and his own Order made thereupon, to be filed and E 4 kept

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kept of Record in the Office of the Clerk of the Crown of the Court of King's Bench; and the said Clerk shall have a Fee of Two Shillings and Sixpence only for filing the same, and shall, on Application, deliver a Certificate in Writing (not taking more than Two Shillings and Sixpence for the same) to such Offender or to any Person applying in his or in His Majesty's Behalf, showing the Christian and Surname of such Offender, the Place where the Court was held before whom he was convicted, and the Conditions on which the Order of Transportation was given; which Certificate shall be sufficient Proof of the Conviction and Sentence of such Offender, and also of the Terms on which such Order for his Transportation was given, in any Court and in any Proceeding wherein it may be necessary to inquire into the same.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That when any Sentence of Death shall be commuted for Transportation, or when any Marine shall by Court-martial be adjudged to be transported, as authorized by this Act, it shall be lawful for the Commanding Officer of the Division to which such Marine shall have belonged to cause him to be conveyed to the nearest Ship for the Reception of Convicts, or if there shall be no such Ship in the Neighbourhood of the Division, then to the Gaol of the County in which such Division shall be stationed, there to remain in safe Custody until he shall be removed therefrom by due Authority under an Order for his Transportation to be made by some Justice of the King's Bench or Common Pleas or Baron of the Exchequer as aforesaid; and that a Certificate of his Sentence, after the same shall have been approved by the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, (such Certificate to be signed by the Commanding Officer of the Division from which he shall be sent,) shall be a sufficient Order, Requisition, and Authority to the Superintendent or Chief Officer of the Convict Ship, or the Sheriff or the Keeper of the Gaol of the County, as the Case may be, to receive and detain him: Provided always, that in case of any such Offender being so conveyed to the Gaol of the County, the usual Allowance of Sixpence per Diem shall be made to the Keeper of the Gaol for the Subsistence of such Offender during his Detention therein, which Allowance shall be paid by the Paymaster of the Division upon Production to him by the said Keeper of a Declaration, to be made by him before One of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of such County, of the Number of Days during which the Offender shall have been so detained and subsisted in such Gaol.

XIX. And be it enacted, That in all Cases of any Person belonging to the Royal Marine Forces being sentenced by any General or other Court-martial to Imprisonment in any House of Correction, Common Gaol, or public Prison, the Gaolers and Keepers of such Houses of Correction, Gaols, or Prisons respectively shall receive into their Custody every such Person, upon receiving an Order in Writing for that Purpose from the Commanding Officer of the Division at which such Court-martial shall

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shall have been held, together with a Copy of the Sentence attested by the said Commanding Officer, and shall detain him in Confinement in the Manner and for the Period mentioned in such Sentence, or until he be duly discharged, or shall deliver him up to such Person producing an Order in Writing to that Effect from any such Commanding Officer, although the Period for which he was committed shall not have expired; and every such Gaoler or Keeper refusing or neglecting to receive and confine any such Person, pursuant to such Sentence, or to discharge him upon any such Order, shall, on being convicted thereof, forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of One hundred Pounds.

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XX. And be it enacted, That whenever it shall be deemed Place of Comexpedient it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Admiral, or finement of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, for the Time being, by any Order in Writing to be made for that Purpose, under the Hand of the said Lord High Admiral, or the Hands of Two or more of the Commissioners aforesaid, and the Seal of the Office of Admiralty, to change the Place of Confinement expressed in any Sentence of a Court-martial to be held under the Authority of this Act, either previous to the Commitment of the Offender or under any such Sentence, or at any Time during the Period of his Confinement, and so from Time to Time as often as it shall be deemed requisite; and the Gaoler or other Person having the Custody of such Offender shall, immediately on the Receipt of any such Order, remove and convey such Offender to the Gaol, Prison, or House of Correction mentioned in the said Order so to be made as aforesaid (for the Charges of which Removal and Conveyance he shall be allowed a Sum not exceeding One Shilling per Mile); and every Gaoler or Keeper of such last-mentioned Gaol or House of Correction shall thereupon, and upon being furnished with a Copy of the Sentence of Confinement, and of such Order of Removal, (such Copies respectively to be attested by the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Time being,) receive into his Custody and shall confine, pursuant to such Sentence, every such Offender, under the like Penalty and Forfeiture, in case of Refusal or Neglect, as is lastly herein-before provided.

XXI. And be it enacted, That all Crimes and Offences com-Offenders mitted against any former Act made for the Regulation of the against former Royal Marine Forces while on Shore, or against any of the Mutiny Acts Rules, Regulations, or Articles of War made and established under this Act. by virtue of the same, may during the Continuance of this Act be inquired of and punished in like Manner as if they had been committed against this Act; and every Warrant for holding any Court-martial under any former Act shall remain in full Force notwithstanding the Expiration of such Act; and all Proceedings of any Court-martial upon any Trial begun under the Authority of such former Act shall not be discontinued by the Expiration of the same : Provided always, that no Person shall Limitation be liable to be tried and punished for any Offence against any of to Time. the said Acts or Articles of War which shall appear to have been committed

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committed more than Three Years before the issuing of the Commission or Warrant for such Trial, unless the Person accused, by reason of his having absented himself, or of some other manifest Impediment, shall not have been amenable to Justice within that Period, in which Case such Person shall be liable to be tried at any Time not exceeding Two Years after the Impediment shall have ceased; and provided also, that if any Officer or Marine in any Place beyond the Seas shall commit any of the Offences punishable by Court-martial under this Act, and shall escape, and come or be brought into this Realm, before he be tried for the same, he shall, when apprehended, be tried for the same as if such Offence had been committed within this Realm.

XXII. And be it enacted, That no Person who shall have been acquitted or convicted of any Offence at any Court-martial shall be liable to be tried a Second Time for the same Offence, except in the Case of an Appeal from a Divisional to a General Court-martial; andthat no Sentence of any Court-martial, signed by the President thereof, shall be liable to be revised more than once; and no Witness shall be examined nor shall any additional Evidence be received by the Court on such Revision.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That no Marine shall be entitled to receive Pay for any Period during which he shall have been absent, without due Authority, from his Duty in His Majesty's Service; and that every Non-commissioned Officer, Drummer, or Private Marine who shall, by the Sentence of any Court of Law or Court-martial, or by the Warrant of a Justice of the Peace, be committed to Prison, or who shall be confined for Debt, shall forfeit all Right to any Pay from the Day of his Arrest during the Time of his Imprisonment; and the Gaoler or other Person in whose Custody he shall be shall receive the Sum of Sixpence per Diem out of the Pay of such Non-commissioned Officer or Private Marine, to be applied for his Subsistence during the Time he shall continue in Custody; which said Sum shall, under the Authority of the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral for the Time being, be paid to the said Gaoler, upon the Application in Writing made to the Secretary of the Admiralty by any Justice for the County or Place in which such Gaol shall be situate, accompanied by a Copy of the Order under which the Prisoner is confined: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the said Lord High Admiral, or the said Commissioners, for the Time being, if they shall think fit, to order the Issue and Payment of any Arrears of Pay, or of the Surplus of such Pay, or any Portion thereof, to or on account of such Marine, during or after the Expiration of the Period of his Imprisonment: Provided also, that in case such Imprisonment shall be in any Place of Military Confinement, then the like Allowance of Sixpence per Day for Subsistence shall be made to the Marine so imprisoned, in lieu of all Pay or other Allowances: Provided also, that in the Calculation of the Period to entitle a Marine to Pension, or increased Rate of Pay

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Pay for Service, no Part of the Time during which he may have been imprisoned shall be included.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That no Commissioned Officer Pay of Comwho shall be arrested and committed to Prison upon a Charge missioned Offiof any Criminal Offence shall receive any Part of his Pay from with Criminal the Day of such Commitment till the Day of his Return to the Offences. Company to which he shall belong or which he shall be ordered to join; and if he shall be acquitted of the Offence for which he was committed, he shall, upon his Return to his Company, with the Approbation of the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, but not otherwise, be entitled to receive all Arrears of Pay which were growing due during the Time of his Confinement; but if he shall be convicted, he shall forfeit all Right to any Pay from the Day of his Commitment until the Day of his Return to the Company to which he shall belong or which he shall be ordered to join.

XXV. And be it enacted, That every Judge Advocate or Report of Person officiating as such at any General Court-martial, or the President of any other Court-martial, shall transmit, with all reasonable Expedition, the original Proceedings and Sentence thereof to the Secretary of the Admiralty for the Time being; and that the Person tried by any General Court-martial shall, upon Application to the Secretary of the Admiralty, be entitled, at any Time after the Expiration of Three Calendar Months from the Date of such Sentence, but not sooner, whether such Sentence be approved or not, to a Copy of the Proceedings and Sentence, upon paying reasonably for the same, according to the Length thereof; provided that such Demand as aforesaid shall have been made within the Space of Three Years from the Date of the Approval or other final Decision upon the Proceedings before such General Court-martial.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That every Marine shall be liable Subsequent to be tried and punished for Desertion from any Corps into Enlistment no which he may have enlisted, or from His Majesty's Service, Protection from Punishment for although he may of right belong to the Corps from which he Desertion. shall have originally deserted; and if such Person shall be claimed as a Deserter by the Corps to which he originally belonged, and be tried as a Deserter therefrom, or shall be tried as a Deserter from any other Corps into which he may have enlisted, or if he shall be tried while actually serving in some Corps for Desertion from any other Corps, every Desertion previous or subsequent to that for which he shall be under Trial, as well as every previous Conviction for any other Offence, may be given in Evidence as an Aggravation of the Crime for which he shall be under Trial; and in like Manner, in the Case of any Marine tried for any Offence whatever, any previous Convictions may be given in Evidence against him; provided that no such Evidence shall be received in any Case until after the Court shall have found the Prisoner guilty of the Offence for which he shall be so under Trial, and then only for the Purpose of fixing Punishment; and provided that in all Cases previous Notice-shall have been

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been given to the Offender of the Intention to produce such Evidence upon his Trial; and provided also, that before such Evidence shall be received it shall be shown to the Satisfaction of the Court that such Notice had been duly given to him, and the Court shall in no Case award to him any greater or other Punishment than may by this Act or by the Articles of War be awarded for the Crime for which he shall be under Trial.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Constable of any Place where any Person reasonably suspected to be a Deserter shall be found, or of any adjoining Place, and if no such Constable can be immediately met with, then for any Officer, Marine, or other Soldier in His Majesty's Service, to apprehend or cause such suspected Person to be apprehended, and cause him to be brought before any Justice living in or near such Place, and acting for the same or any adjoining County, who shall examine such suspected Person; and if, by his Confession, or the Testimony of One or more Witnesses upon Oath, or by the Knowledge of such Justice, it shall appear that such suspected Person is a Marine unlawfully absent from his Duty, such Justice shall forthwith cause him to be conveyed to the nearest or most convenient public Prison in the same or any next adjoining County, and shall transmit an Account thereof, in the Form prescribed for that Purpose in the Schedule annexed to this Act, to the Secretary of the Admiralty, with a Description of the Person of such Deserter, and the Name of the Division to which he shall belong, and also certifying the Names of the Persons by whom the Deserter was apprehended; and if the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, shall be satisfied such last-mentioned Persons are justly entitled to a Reward for such Apprehension, the said Secretary shall in return transmit to such Justice an Order upon the proper Department for the Payment of the Sum of Twenty Shillings as a Reward to the Persons so certified to be entitled thereto; which Reward shall be paid and charged against the Pay and Subsistence of any such Deserter, and stopped out of the same: Provided always, that no Fee or Reward shall be taken by any Justice or his Clerk, in respect of any Information, Commitment, or Report in the Case of any such Deserter.

Fraudulent Confession of Desertion. XXVIII. And be it enacted, That any Person who shall voluntarily deliver himself up as a Deserter from His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, or who, upon being apprehended for any Offence, shall, in the Presence of the Justice, confess himself to be a Deserter as aforesaid, shall be deemed to have been duly enlisted, and to be a Marine, and shall be liable to serve in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, whether such Person shall have been ever actually enlisted as a Marine or not; and in case such Person shall not be a Deserter from the Royal Marine Forces, he shall be liable to be punished as a Rogue and Vagabond, by summary Conviction before any Justice of the Peace, or may be prosecuted and punished for obtaining Money under false Pretences; and the Confession and receiving Subsistence

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as a Marine by such Person shall be Evidence of the false Pretence and of the obtaining Money to the Amount of the Value of such Subsistence, and the Value of such Subsistence so obtained may be charged in the Indictment as so much Money received by such Person; and in case such Person shall have been previously convicted of the like Offence, or as a Rogue and Vagabond for making a fraudulent Confession of Desertion, such former Conviction may be alleged in the Indictment, and may be proved upon the Trial of such Person; and in such Indictment for a Second Offence it shall be sufficient to state that the Offender was at a certain Time and Place convicted of obtaining Money under false Pretences as a Deserter, or as a Rogue and Vagabond for making a fraudulent Confession of Desertion, without otherwise describing the said Offence; and a Certificate containing the Substance and Effect only (omitting the formal Part) of the Indictment and Conviction for the former Offence, purporting to be signed by the Clerk of the Court or other Officer having the Custody of the Records of the Court where the Offender was first convicted, or by the Deputy of such Clerk, or by the Clerk of the convicting Magistrates, shall, upon Proof of the Identity of the Person of the Offender, be sufficient Evidence of the first Conviction, without Proof of the Signature or official Character of the Person appearing to have signed the same; and if the Person so confessing himself to be a Deserter shall be serving at the Time in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces he shall be deemed to be and shall be dealt with as a Deserter.

XXIX. ' And whereas it has been judged expedient, for the Reward for ' Prevention of Desertion, to establish Outlying Parties in the Marines Vicinity of the respective Divisions of Royal Marines for the attempting to Purpose of intercepting such Men as may straggle or attempt desert. • to desert from Head Quarters, and it is fit that Encouragement ⁴ should be given to Persons composing such Parties to be ⁶ diligent and active in their Duty in this Behalf;' be it therefore enacted, That for and in respect of every Non-commissioned Officer or Private Marine so straggling or attempting to desert, who may be apprehended at a greater Distance from Head Quarters than is allowed by the Articles of War, the Party or Parties by whom he shall be apprehended shall be entitled to a Reward of Ten Shillings to be paid upon the delivering up of such Marine; which Sum of Ten Shillings shall be charged against and stopped and retained out of the Pay and Subsistence of every such Non-commissioned Officer and Private Marine, in like Manner as the Reward or Sum of Twenty Shillings is herein-before directed to be charged against, stopped, and retained out of the Pay and Subsistence of every Deserter.

XXX. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall in Penalty for any Part of His Majesty's Dominions directly or indirectly per- inducing or suade any Marine to desert, or shall assist any Deserter from assisting to desert. His Majesty's Royal Marine Service in deserting or in concealing himself from such Service, knowing him to be such Deserter.

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XXXI. And be it enacted, That the Gaoler or other Person having the immediate Inspection of any Prison, Gaol, or House of Correction shall diet and supply every Marine in his Custody with Fuel and other Necessaries according to the Regulations of the Prison to which he shall be so committed, and shall receive on account of every such Marine, during his Imprisonment, Sixpence per Diem for his Subsistence, to be issued out of the Pay of such Marine, upon Application in Writing signed by any Justice within whose Jurisdiction such Prison shall be locally situated, together with a Copy of the Order of Commitment, and which Sum of Sixpence per Dien shall be carried to the Credit of the Fund from which the Expence of such Prison is defrayed; and all Gaolers and Keepers of Prisons shall and they are hereby authorized and required to receive and confine every Deserter from the Royal Marines who shall be delivered into their Charge by any Officer, Soldier, or Marine conveying any such Deserter under lawful Authority, on the Production of the Warrant or Authority on which such Deserter shall have been taken or detained; and every Gaoler or Keeper so receiving a Deserter shall be entitled to One Shilling for the safe Custody of him, while halted on the March, and to such daily Subsistence as is herein-before provided for the Maintenance of Marines confined under any Sentence or otherwise.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That every Gaoler, having Notice that any Person in his Custody is a Marine liable to serve His Majesty, shall, previous to the Expiration of the Period of the Imprisonment of such Marine, give One Month's Notice, or if there shall not be sufficient Time for a Month's Notice, then the longest practicable Notice thereof, to the Secretary of the Admiralty.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That every Marine Officer who shall, without Warrant from One or more of His Majesty's Justices, forcibly enter into or break open the Dwelling House or Outhouses of any Person whomsoever, under Pretence of searching for Deserters, shall, upon due Proof thereof, forfeit the Sum of Twenty Ponnds.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall receive Enlisting Money to serve in the Royal Marines from any Person employed in the Recruiting Service, he being an Officer, Non-commissioned Officer, or attested Marine, shall be deemed to be enlisted as a Marine in His Majesty's Service, and while he shall remain with the Recruiting Party shall be entitled to be billetted; and every Person who shall enlist any Recruit shall first ask the Person offering to enlist whether he does or does not belong to the Militia, and shall cause to be taken down in Writing the Name and Place of Abode of such Recruit, and if such Recruit shall not reside in or in the Vicinity of the Town or Place where he offered to enlist, the Place also at which he shall declare that he intends to sleep, in order that, within

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within Forty-eight but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours after his having received the Enlisting Money, Notice of his having so enlisted be given to the Recruit, or left at his usual Place of Abode, or at the Place where he stated that it was his Intention to sleep; and when any Person shall be enlisted as a Marine, he shall, within Four Days, any intervening Sunday not included, but not sooner than Twenty-four Hours, any intervening Sunday not included, after such Enlisting, appear, together with some Person employed in the Recruiting Service of the Party with which he shall have enlisted, before a Justice residing in the Vicinity of the Place, and acting for the Division or District where such Recruit shall have been enlisted, and not being an Officer in the Marines; and if such Recruit shall declare his having voluntarily enlisted, the said Justice shall put to him the several Questions contained in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and shall record or cause to be recorded in Writing his Answers thereunto; and the said Justice is hereby required forthwith to cause the Answers so recorded in Writing, and the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Articles of the Second Section of the Articles of War against Mutiny, and the First Article of the Third Section of the said Articles of War against Desertion, to be read over in his own Presence to such Recruit, and to administer to such Recruit the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed applicable to the Case of a Recruit; and the said Justice is hereby required to give, under his Hand, the Certificate in the Schedule to this Act annexed; and if any such Recruit so to be certified shall refuse to take the Oath in the Schedule to this Act annexed before the said Justice, it shall be lawful for the Officer or Non-commissioned Officer with whom he enlisted to detain and confine such Person until he shall take the said Oath of Fidelity.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That any Recruit appearing Dissent and within Four Days as aforesaid before such Justice shall be at Relief from liberty to declare his Dissent to such Enlisting, and upon such Declaration and returning the Enlisting Money, and also paying the Sum of Twenty Shillings for the Charges expended upon him, together with the full Amount of Subsistence and Beer Money which shall have been paid to such Recruit subsequent to his Enlistment, shall be forthwith discharged in the Presence of such Justice; but if such Person shall refuse or neglect, within the Space of Twenty-four Hours after so declaring his Dissent, to return and pay such Money as aforesaid, he shall be deemed and taken to be enlisted as if he had given his Assent thereto before the said Justice; and it shall also be lawful for any Justice to discharge any Person who shall have hastily enlisted, and who shall apply to him to declare his Dissent within such Four Days as aforesaid, upon Payment of the Sum of Money required to be paid by any Recruit declaring his Dissent under this Act, notwithstanding no Person belonging to the Recruiting Party shall be with the Recruit, provided it shall appear to such Justice, upon Proof to his Satisfaction, that the Recruiting Party has left the Place where such Recruit was enlisted, or that

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that the Recruit could not procure any Person belonging to such Party to go with him before the Justice; and the Sum paid by such Recruit upon his Discharge shall be kept by the Justice, and paid to any Person belonging to the Recruiting Party entitled thereto, and demanding the same: Provided always, that no Recruit who has actually though erroneously been discharged by the Justice before the Expiration of Twenty-four Hours after the Time of his Enlistment shall be liable on that Account to be proceeded against as having deserted from His Majesty's Service; and the Justice who shall discharge any Recruit shall in every Case give to him a Certificate, under his Hand, specifying the Cause thereof.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That any Person duly bound as an Apprentice, who shall enlist into His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, and shall state to the Magistrate before whom he shall be attested that he is not an Apprentice, shall be deemed guilty of obtaining Money by false Pretences, and shall, after the Expiration of his Apprenticeship, whether he shall have been so convicted and punished or not, be liable to serve as a Marine, and if on the Expiration of his Apprenticeship he shall not deliver himself up to some Officer authorized to receive Recruits may be taken as a Deserter from His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That no Apprentice claimed by his Master shall be taken from any Division, Detachment, Recruiting Party, or Ship of His Majesty, except under a Warrant of a Justice residing near and within whose Jurisdiction such Apprentice shall then happen to be, before whom he shall be carried; and such Justice shall inquire into the Matter upon Oath (which Oath he is hereby empowered to administer), and require the Production and Proof of the Indenture, and that Notice of the said Warrant has been given to and a Copy left with the Officer under whose Command the Apprentice shall then be, and that such Person so enlisted declared that he was no Apprentice; and such Justice, if required by such Officer, shall commit the Offender to the Common Gaol of the said Place where the Apprentice shall be apprehended, and shall keep the Indenture to be produced when required, and shall bind over such Person as he may think proper to give Evidence against the Offender, who shall be tried at the next or next succeeding General or Quarter Sessions of the County, Division, or Place, unless the Court shall on just Cause put off the Trial; and the Production of the Indenture, with the Certificate of the Justices that the same was proved, shall be sufficient Evidence of the said Indenture; and every such Offender in Scotland may be tried by the Judge Ordinary in the County or Stewartry, in such and the like Manner as any Person may be tried in Scotland for any Offence not inferring a Capital Punishment; and any Justice not required as aforesaid to commit such Apprentice may deliver him to his Master: Provided always, that every Apprentice who shall enlist into the Royal Marines during the Period of his Apprenticeship shall be deemed guilty of a Misdemeanor, and upon Conviction be liable to the same Punishment

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ment as Offenders convicted of obtaining Money under false Pretences are liable to; and every such Apprentice shall, after the Expiration of his Apprenticeship, whether he shall have been prosecuted or not, be liable to serve in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces; and if on the Expiration of his Apprenticeship he shall not deliver himself up to some Officer authorized to receive Recruits, he may be apprehended as a Deserter from His Majesty's Marine Forces.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That if any Recruit shall Offences conreceive the Enlisting Money from any Person employed in the Enlistment. Recruiting Service (knowing it to be such), and shall abscond or refuse to go before such Justice, or shall thereafter absent himself from the Recruiting Party or Person with whom he enlisted, and shall not voluntarily return to go before some Justice within such Period of Four Days as aforesaid, such Recruit shall be deemed to be enlisted and a Private in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, as fully to all Intents and Purposes as if he had been duly attested, and may be apprehended and punished as a Deserter, or for being absent without Leave, under any Articles of War made for the Punishment of Mutiny and Desertion; and such Recruit shall not be discharged by any Justice of the Peace after the Expiration of such Four Days as aforesaid, unless it shall be proved to the Satisfaction of such Justice that the true Name and Residence of the Recruit was disclosed and known to the Recruiting Party, and that no Notice was given to the Recruit, or left at his usual Place of Abode, of his having so enlisted; provided that in every Case wherein any Recruit shall have received Enlisting Money, and shall have absconded from the Party, so that it shall not be possible immediately to apprehend and bring him before a Justice, the Officer or Non-commissioned Officer commanding the Party shall produce to the Justice before whom the Recruit ought regularly to have been brought for Attestation a Certificate of the Name and Place of Residence of such Recruit; and the Justice to whom such Certificate shall be produced shall, after satisfying himself that the Recruit who had absconded cannot be found and apprehended, transmit a Duplicate thereof to the Secretary of the Admiralty, in order that, in the Event of such Recruit being afterwards apprehended and reported as a Deserter, the Fact of his having received Enlisting Money, and having absconded after having been enlisted, may be ascertained before he shall be finally adjudged to be a Deserter; and any Recruit who shall enlist into His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, and who shall be discovered to be incapable of active Service by reason of any Infirmity concealed or not declared by such Recruit before the Justice at the Time of his Attestation, and mentioned therein, may be transferred into a Garrison or Veteran or Invalid Battalion, and shall be entitled to receive such Proportion or Residue of Bounty only as the Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, may allow in that Behalf, instead of the Bounty upon which such Man shall have been enlisted, any Act or any Rules [No. 6. Price 2d.] and

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be lawful for any Two Justices before whom any Recruit shall be brought, and who shall be proved upon Oath before them to have wilfully concealed his having been a Marine or Soldier and discharged, or to have concealed his having been discharged on any prior Enlistment, or to have wilfully concealed any Infirmity upon being attested, or designedly made any false Representation, to adjudge such Person to be a Rogue and Vagabond, and to sentence him to such Punishment as by any Law now in force may be inflicted on Rogues and Vagabonds and Vagrants and incorrigible Rogues; and any Recruit who shall designedly make any false Representation of any Particular contained in the Oaths and Certificates in the Schedule to this Act annexed before the Justice at the Time of his Attestation, and shall thereby obtain any Enlisting Money, or any Bounty for entering into His Majesty's Service, or any other Money, shall be deemed guilty of obtaining Money under false Pretences, within the true Intent and Meaning, if in England, of an Act, intituled 7&8 G.4. c. 29. An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in England relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith; and if in Ireland, of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in Ireland relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith ; and the Production of such Certificate, and Proof of the Handwriting of the Justice giving such Certificate, shall be sufficient Evidence of such Party having represented the several Particulars contained in the Oath sworn by him, and specified in the Certificate of the Justice at the Time of his having been attested; and that Proof by the Oath of One or more credible Witnesses that the Person so prosecuted hath voluntarily acknowledged that at the Time of his Enlistment he belonged to the Militia, or to any Regiment in His Majesty's Service, or to His Majesty's Navy or Marines, shall be deemed and taken as Evidence of the Fact so by him acknowledged, without Production of any Roll or other Document to prove the same; and any Man who having been enrolled to serve in the Militia, and who at the Time of offering to enlist into the Marines shall deny that he is a Militia Man, or shall deny to the Justice before whom he shall be attested that he belongs to the Militia, shall, on Conviction thereof before any One Justice in the United Kingdom, either upon the Oath of One Witness or upon his own Confession, or upon the Production of the Attestation and the before-mentioned Acknowledgment of such Person, certified by the Secretary of the Admiralty, be committed to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to remain without Bail or Mainprize for and during any Time not exceeding Six Calendar Months, over and above any Penalty or Punishment to which such Person so offending may be otherwise liable; and shall, from the Day on which his Engagement to serve in the Militia shall end, and not sooner, belong as a Soldier to the Division of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces into which he has so enlisted: Provided also.

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also, that every such Person shall be liable to serve in His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces in which he has so enlisted during all the Time the Militia to which he shall belong shall remain disembodied, or shall not be called out for Training or Exercise, and shall during all such Time be subject to all the Provisions of this Act, and be liable to be apprehended and

dealt with and punished as a Deserter from the Marines if he

shall neglect or refuse to join and serve therein. XXXIX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Yearly Servants Justice before whom any Recruit (being a hired Servant) shall enlisting to be be attested, before the Expiration of the Term of Service for Proportion of which he shall have been hired, to adjudge to such Recruit a their Wages. reasonable Proportion of his Wages for the Time he shall have actually served, to be forthwith paid by the Master, upon whom the said Justice shall make an Order accordingly, and if the same be not paid within Four Days shall enforce the Payment thereof by the same Means as pecuniary Penalties may under this Act be recovered before a Justice.

XL. And be it enacted, That every Marine Officer who shall Penalty on designedly act contrary to the Provisions of this Act, in any Officers offend-ing as to Eurespect regarding the enlisting and attesting of Recruits for His listment. Majesty's Service, shall, upon Proof thereof upon Oath by Two Witnesses before a General Court-martial, be cashiered, and disabled to hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment in His Majesty's Service.

XLI. And be it enacted, That no Master shall be entitled to Claims of claim an Apprentice who shall enlist as a Marine in His Ma-Masters to jesty's Service, unless such Master shall, within One Calendar Apprentices. Month next after such Apprentice shall have left his Service, go before some Justice, and take and subscribe the Oath mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, and at the Time of making his Claim produce to the Officer under whose Command the Recruit shall be the Certificate of such Justice of his having taken such Oath, which Certificate such Justice is required to give in the Form in the Schedule to this Act annexed; nor unless such Apprentice shall have been bound, if in England, for the full Term of Seven Years, (not having been above the Age of Fourteen when so bound,) and, if in Ireland or in the British Isles, for the full Term of Five Years at the least, (not having been above the Age of Sixteen when so bound,) and, if in Scotland, for the full Term at least of Four Years, by a regular Contract of Indenture of Apprenticeship, duly extended, signed, and tested, and binding on both Parties by the Law of Scotland, prior to the Period of Enlistment, and unless such Contract or Indenture in Scotland shall, within Three Months after the Commencement of the Apprenticeship and before the Period of Enlistment, have been produced to a Justice of the Peace of the County in Scotland wherein the Parties reside, and there shall have been indorsed thereon by such Justice a Certificate or Declaration signed by him, specifying the Date when 'and the Person by whom such Contract or Indenture shall have been so produced, which Certificate or F 2 Declaration

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Declaration such Justice of the Peace is hereby required to indorse and sign; nor unless any such Apprentice shall, when claimed by such Master, be under Twenty-one Years of Age; provided that any Master of an Apprentice indentured for the Sea Service shall be entitled to claim and recover him in the Form and Manner above directed, notwithstanding such Apprentice may have been bound for a less Term than Seven, Five, or Four Years as aforesaid; and any such Master who shall give up the Indentures of Apprenticeship within One Month after the enlisting of such Apprentice shall be entitled to receive, to his own Use, so much of the Bounty payable to such Recruit, after deducting therefrom Two Guineas to provide him with Necessaries, as shall not have been paid to such Recruit before Notice given of his being an Apprentice.

XLII. And be it enacted, That Musters, as have been customary, shall be taken of every Division or Company of Royal Marines once in every Calendar Month, as shall be appointed; and no Officer or Marine shall be absent from any such Muster, unless duly certified to be employed on some other Duty of the Corps, or sick, or in Prison, or on Furlough; and every Person belonging to His Majesty's Service who shall give or procure to be given any untrue Certificate, thereby to excuse any Person from any Muster or other Service which he ought to attend or perform, or shall make any false or untrue Muster of Man or Horse, or shall willingly allow or sign any false Muster or Duplicate thereof, or shall directly or indirectly take or receive any Money or Gratuity for mustering any Person, or for signing any Muster Roll or Duplicate, or shall knowingly muster any Person by a wrong Name, shall, upon Proof by Two Witnesses before a General Court-martial, for any such Offence be forthwith cashiered, and disabled to have or hold any Civil or Military Office or Employment in the Service of His Majesty; and any Person who shall fraudulently offer or procure himself to be falsely mustered, or lend or furnish any Horse to be falsely mustered, shall, upon Proof thereof by the Oaths of Two Witnesses before some Justice of the Peace residing near to the Place where such Muster shall be made, forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds, and the Informer, if he belong to His Majesty's Service, shall, if he demand it, be forthwith discharged; and if any Person not belonging to His Majesty's Service shall give or sign any untrue Certificate of Illness or otherwise, in order to excuse any Officer or Marine from Appearance at any Muster, or whereby His Majesty's Service may be defrauded, every Person so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of Twenty Pounds.

XLIII. And be it enacted, That all Muster Rolls and Pay Lists of Royal Marines required to be verified upon Oath shall be sworn before and attested by any Justice of the Peace, without Fee or Reward to himself or his Clerk.

XLIV. And be it enacted, That when there shall not be any Officer of His Majesty's Land or Marine Forces of the Rank of Captain or of a superior Rank, or any Adjutant of Militia, within

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within convenient Distance of the Place where any Non-commissioned Officer or Marine on Furlough shall be detained by Sickness or other Casualty rendering necessary any Extension of such Furlough, it shall be lawful for any Justice, who shall be satisfied of such Necessity, to grant an Extension of Furlough for a Period not exceeding One Month; and the said Justice shall immediately certify such Extension, and the Cause thereof, to the Commanding Officer of the Division or Detachment to which the Man belongs, if known, and if not, then to the Secretary of the Admiralty, in order that the necessary Allowance of Pay and Subsistence may be remitted to the Marine, who shall not during the Period of such Extension of Furlough be liable to be treated as a Deserter; provided that nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt any Marine from Trial and Punishment, according to the Provision of this Act, for any false Representation made by him in that Behalf

to the said Officer or Justice so extending the Furlough, or for any Breach of Discipline committed by him in applying for and obtaining the said Extension of Furlough. XLV. And be it enacted, That every Marine upon being Marching discharged from the Service shall be entitled to an Allowance (not exceeding in any Case the Amount of Twenty-one Days marching Money) to enable him to reach his Home, which Al-

lowance shall be calculated according to the Distance he has to travel: Provided always, that no Person who shall purchase his own Discharge, or be discharged on account of Misbehaviour, or at his own Desire, before the Expiration of his Period of Service, shall be entitled to any such Allowance.

XLVI. 'And whereas there is and may be Occasion for the Billetting of marching and also for the quartering of the Royal Marine Marines. Forces when on Shore;' be it enacted, That during the Continuance of this Act, upon the Order or Orders in Writing in that Behalf under the Hand of the Lord High Admiral, or the Hands of Two or more of the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, for the Time being, it shall be lawful for all Constables and other Persons specified in this Act in England and Ireland, and they are hereby required, to billet the Officers and Marines, whether marching or otherwise, and also all Staff and Field Officers Horses, and all Bât and Baggage Horses belonging to the Royal Marine Forces, when on actual Service, (not exceeding for each Officer the Number for which Forage is allowed by His Majesty's Regulations,) in Victualling Houses and other Houses specified in this Act, taking care in Ireland not to billet less than Two Men in any One House; and they shall be received by the Occupiers of such Houses, and be furnished with proper Accommodation in such Houses, and in *England* with Diet and Small Beer, and with Stables, Hay, and Straw for such Horses as aforesaid, paying and allowing for the same the several Rates herein-after provided; and at no Times when Marines are on a March shall any of them be billetted above One Mile from the Place mentioned in the Route; and in all Places where Marines shall be F 3 billetted

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billetted in pursuance of this Act, the Officers and their Horses shall be billetted in one and the same House, except in case of Necessity; and the Constables are hereby required to billet all Marines on their March in a just and equal Proportion upon the Keepers of all Houses within One Mile of the Place mentioned in the Route, although some of such Houses may be in the adjoining County, in like Manner in every respect as if such Houses were therein locally situate: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to extend to authorize any Constable to billet Marines out of the County to which such Constable belongs, when the Constable of the adjoining County shall be present, and undertake to billet the due Proportion of Men in such adjoining County; and no more Billets shall at any Time be ordered than there are effective Marines and Horses present to be billetted; all which Billets, when made out by such Constables, shall be delivered into the Hands of the Commanding Officer present; and if any Person shall find himself aggrieved by having an undue Proportion of Marines billetted in his House, and shall prefer his Complaint, if against a Constable or other Person not being a Justice, to One or more Justices, and if against a Justice, then to Two or more Justices, within whose Jurisdiction such Marines are billetted, such Justices respectively shall have Power to order such of the Marines to be removed and to be billetted upon other Persons, as they shall see Cause; and when any Horses belonging to the Officers of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces shall be billetted upon the Occupiers of Houses who shall have no Stables, then, upon a written Requisition of the Officer commanding such Marines, the Constable is hereby required to billet the Horses upon some other Person having Stables by this Act liable to have Officers and Marines billetted upon them, and any Two or more Justices of the Peace may order a proper Allowance to be paid by the Persons relieved to the Persons receiving such Horses, or to be applied in the furnishing the requisite Accommodation; and the Commanding Officer may exchange any Man or Horse billetted in any Place with another Man or Horse billetted in the same Place, for the Convenience or Benefit of the Service, provided the Number of Men and Horses do not exceed the Number at that Time billetted on such Houses; and the Constables are hereby required to billet such Men and Horses so exchanged accordingly; and it shall be lawful for any Justice, at the Request of any Officer or Non-commissioned Officer commanding any Marines requiring Billets, to extend any Route, or enlarge the District within which Billets shall be required, in such Manner as shall appear to be most convenient to His Majesty's Service: Provided always, that to prevent or punish all Abuses in billetting Marines, it shall be lawful for any Justice, within his Jurisdiction, by Warrant or Order under his Hand, to require any Constable to give him an Account in Writing of the Number of Officers and Marines who shall be quartered by such Constable, together with the Names of the Persons upon whom such Officers and Marines

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Marines are billetted, stating the Street or Place where such Persons dwell, and the Signs, if any, belonging to their Houses; and it shall be lawful to billet Officers and Marines in Scotland according to the Provisions of the Laws in force in Scotland at the Time of its Union with England; and no Officer shall be obliged to pay for his Lodging where he shall be regularly billetted, except in the Suburbs of Edinburgh : Provided always, that no Justice, being an Officer of Royal Marines, shall directly or indirectly be concerned in billetting or appointing Quarters under this Act.

XLVII. And be it enacted, That the Innholder or other Per- Allowance to son on whom any Marine is billetted in England shall, if re-. Innkeepers. quired by such Marine, furnish him for every Day on the March, and for a Period not exceeding Two Days when halted at any intermediate Place upon the March, and for the Day of Arrival at the Place of final Destination, with One hot Meal in each Day, the Meal to consist of such Quantities of Diet and Small Beer as may be fixed by His Majesty's Regulations, not exceeding One Pound and a Quarter of Meat previous to being dressed, One Pound of Bread, One Pound of Potatoes or other Vegetables, and Two Pints of Small Beer, and Vinegar, Salt, and Pepper, and for such Meal the Innholder, or other Person furnishing the same, shall be paid the Sum of Ten-pence; and all Innholders and other Persons on whom Marines may be billetted in England (except on the March, when they are entitled to be furnished with the hot Meal as aforesaid,) shall furnish such Marines with Candles, Vinegar, and Salt, and shall allow them the Use of Fire and the necessary Utensils for dressing and eating their Meat, and shall be paid in consideration thereof the Sum of a Halfpenny per Diem for each Marine; and the Sum to be paid the Innholder or other Person on whom any of the Horses belonging to His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces shall be billetted in England, for Hay and Straw, shall be Ten-pence per Diem for each Horse, and in Ireland the Sum to be paid for Forage to the Innholder or other Person for Horses billetted by virtue of this Act shall be the Rate established by the Lord Lieutenant or other sufficient Authority from Time to Time, the same to be regulated by the average Rate of Contracts for Forage in Ireland; and for the Use of Stables in Ireland, when such Horses are provided with Hay and Straw by Contract, and not by the Occupiers of the Houses in which they are billetted, the Sum of Four-pence per Week for each Horse shall be paid; and every Officer to whom it belongs to receive or who shall actually receive the Pay and Subsistence of the said Men shall every Four Days, or before they shall quit their Quarters if they shall not remain so long as Four Days, settle the just Demands of all Victuallers or other Persons on whom such Men are billetted, out of their Pay and Subsistence, before any Part of the said Pay or Subsistence be distributed to them respectively; and if any such Officer shall not pay the same, then upon Complaint, and Oath made thereof by any Two Witnesses, at the next Quarter Session for the County or City where F 4 such

such Quarters are situate, the Secretary of the Admiralty is hereby required, upon Certificate of the Justices before whom such Oath shall be made of the Sum due to the Complainant, to order Payment of the Amount, which shall be charged against such Officer; and in case of any Marines being suddenly ordered to march, and of the Commanding Officer not being enabled to make immediate Payment of the Sums due on account of the Billets, every such Officer shall before his Departure make up the Account with every Person upon whom any such Marines may have been billetted, and sign a Certificate thereof; which Account and Certificate, on being transmitted to the Secretary of the Admiralty, shall be immediately paid, and charged to the Officer's Account.

XLVIII. And be it enacted, That for the regular Provision. of Carriages for the Royal Marine Forces and their Baggage, on their Marches in England and Ireland, all Justices of the Peace within their several Jurisdictions, being duly required thereunto by Order of the said Lord High Admiral, or Two or more of the Commissioners for executing the said Office of Lord High Admiral, for the Time being, shall, on the Production of such Order to them, or any One or more of them, by the Officer or Noncommissioned Officer of the Party of Marines so ordered to march, issue a Warrant to any Constable having Authority to act in any Place from, through, near, or to which such Marines shall be ordered to march, (for each of which Warrants a Fee of One Shilling only shall be paid,) requiring him to provide the Carriages, Horses, Oxen, and Drivers therein mentioned, (allowing sufficient Time to do the same,) specifying the Places from and to which the said Carriages shall travel, and the Number of Miles between the Places, for which only so specified Payment shall be demanded, and which Number of Miles shall not, except in Cases of pressing Emergency, exceed the Day's March prescribed in the Order of Route, and shall in no Case exceed Twenty-five Miles; and the Constables receiving such Warrant shall order such Persons as they shall think proper, having Carriages, to furnish the requisite Supply, who are hereby required to furnish the same accordingly; and in case sufficient Carriages cannot be procured within the proper Jurisdiction, any Justice of the next adjoining Jurisdiction shall, by a like Course of Proceeding, supply the Deficiency; and in order that the Burthen of providing Carriages may fall equally, and to prevent Inconvenience arising from there being no Justice residing near the Place where Marines may be quartered on the March, the Justice or Justices residing nearest to such Place shall cause a List to be made out, at least once in every Year, of all Persons liable to furnish such Carriages, and of the Number and Description of their said Carriages, (which Lists shall at all seasonable Hours be open to the Inspection of the said Persons,) and shall by Warrant under his Hand authorize the Constables within his Jurisdiction to give Orders to provide Carriages, without any special Warrant from him for that Purpose, which Order shall be valid in all respects; and all Orders for such Carriages

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riages shall be made from such Lists in regular Rotation, so far as the same can be done.

XLIX. And be it enacted, That the Rates to be paid for Rates for Carriages impressed shall be, in England, for every Mile which Carriages. a Waggon with Four or more Horses, or a Wain with Six Oxen or Four Oxen and Two Horses, shall travel, One Shilling; and for every Mile any Waggon with narrow Wheels, or any Cart with Four Horses, carrying not less than Fifteen Hundred Weight, shall travel, Nine-pence; and for every Mile every other Cart or Carriage with less than Four Horses, and not carrying Fifteen Hundred Weight, shall travel, Sixpence; and in Ireland, for every Hundred Weight loaded on any Wheel Carriage, One Halfpenny per Mile; and in England such further Rates may be added, not exceeding a total additional Sum per Mile of Four-pence, Three-pence, or Two-pence, to the respective Rates of One Shilling, Nine-pence, and Sixpence, as may seem reasonable to the Justices assembled at General Sessions in England for their respective Districts; and the Order of such Justices at Sessions shall specify the average Price of Hay and Oats at the nearest Market Town at the Time of fixing such additional Rates, and the Period for which the Order shall be enforced, not exceeding Ten Days beyond the next General Sessions; (and no such Order shall be valid unless a Copy thereof, signed by the presiding Magistrate and One other Justice, shall be transmitted to the Secretary of the Admiralty within Three Days after the making thereof;) and also in England, when the Day's March shall exceed Fifteen Miles, the Justice granting his Warrant may fix a further reasonable Compensation, not exceeding the usual Rate of Hire fixed by this Act; and when additional Rates or Compensation shall be granted, the Justice shall insert, in his own Hand, in the Warrant, the Amount thereof, and the Date of the Order of Sessions, if fixed by Sessions, and the Warrant shall be given to the Officer commanding as his Voucher: Provided always, that the Officer or Non-commissioned Officer demanding Carriages by virtue of the Warrant of a Justice shall, in England, pay down the proper Sums into the Hands of the Constables providing Carriages, who shall give Receipts for the same on unstamped Paper; and, in Ireland, the Officers or Non-commissioned Officers as aforesaid shall pay the Owners or Drivers of the Carriages, and One Third Part of such Payment shall be made before the Carriage be loaded, and all the said Payments in Ireland shall be made, if required, in Presence of a Justice or Constable: Provided also, that no Carriage shall be liable to carry more than Thirty Hundred Weight in England, and in Ireland no Car shall be liable to carry more than Six Hundred Weight, and no Dray more than Twelve Hundred Weight; but the Owner of such Carriages in Ireland, consenting to carry a greater Weight, shall be paid at the same Rate for every Hundred Weight of the said Excess; and the Owners of such Carriages in Ireland shall not be compelled to proceed, though with any less Weight, under the Sum of Three-pence a Mile for each Car, and Sixpence a Mile for. each

each Dray; and the Loading of such Carriages in *Ireland* shall be first weighed, if required, at the Expence of the Owner of the Carriage, if the same can be done in a reasonable Time, without Hindrance of His Majesty's Service; and the providing and paying for Carriages in *Scotland* shall be regulated by the Law in force at the Time of the Union with *England*: Provided also, that a Cart with One or more Horses, for which the Furnisher shall receive Nine-pence a Mile, shall be required to carry Fifteen Hundred Weight at the least; and that no Penalties or Forfeitures in any Act relating to Highways or Turnpike Roads in the United Kingdom shall apply to the Number of Horses or Oxen, or Weight of Loading of the aforesaid Carriages, nor shall any such Carriages on that Account be stopped or detained.

L. And be it enacted, That all Officers and Marines, being in proper Uniform, Dress or Undress, and their Horses, but not when passing in any private or hired Vehicle, and all Carriages and Horses when employed in conveying Persons or Baggage under the Provisions of this Act, or returning therefrom, and all Recruits marching by Route, shall be exempted from the Payment of any Duties and Tolls on embarking or disembarking from or upon any Pier, Wharf, Quay, or Landing Place, or passing Turnpike Roads or Bridges, otherwise demandable by virtue of any Act already made or hereafter to be made; and if any Toll Collector shall demand or receive Toll from any Marine Officer • or Marine who shall be in proper Uniform, Dress or Undress, and who by this Act is exempted from Payment thereof, such Collector shall for every such Offence be liable to a Penalty not exceeding Five Pounds; provided that nothing herein contained shall exempt any Boats, Barges, or other Vessels employed in conveying the said Persons, Horses, Baggage, or Stores along any Canal, from Payment of Tolls in like Manner as other Boats, Barges, and Vessels are liable thereto, except when employed in Cases of Emergency as herein mentioned; and that when any Officers or Marines on Service shall have Occasion in the March to pass regular Ferries in Scotland, the Officer commanding shall be at liberty to pass over with his Marines as Passengers, paying for himself and each Marine One Half only of the ordinary Rate payable by Passengers, or he shall be at liberty to hire the Ferry Boat for himself and his Party, debarring all others for that Time, and shall in such Case pay only Half the ordinary Rate for such Boat.

LI. And be it enacted, That if any Constable or other Person, who by virtue of this Act shall be employed in billetting any Officers or Marines in any Part of the United Kingdom, shall presume to billet any such Officer or Marine in any House not within the Meaning of this Act, without the Consent of the Owner or Occupier thereof; or shall neglect or refuse to billet any Officer or Marine on Duty, when thereunto required, in such Manner as is by this Act directed, provided sufficient Notice be given before the Arrival of such Marines; or shall receive, demand, or agree for any Money or Reward whatsoever, in order to excuse any Person from receiving any such Officer or 8 Marine;

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Marine; or shall quarter any of the Wives, Children, Men or-Maid Servants of any Officer or Marine in any such Houses, against the Consent of the Occupiers; or shall neglect or refuse to execute such Warrants of the Justices as shall be directed to him for providing Carriages, Horses, or Vessels, or shall demand more than the legal Rates for the same; or if any Person appointed or ordered by such Constable to provide Carriages, Horses, or Vessels shall refuse or neglect to provide the same, or shall demand more than the legal Rates for the same, or. shall do any Act or Thing by which the Execution of such Warrants shall be hindered; or if any Person liable by this Act to have any Officer or Marine quartered on him shall refuse to receive any such Officer or Marine, or to afford him proper Accommodation or Diet in the House of such Person in which he is quartered, or to furnish the several Things directed to be furnished to Officers and Marines, or shall neglect or refuse to furnish good and sufficient Stables, together with good and sufficient Hay and Straw, for each Horse, at the Rate established by this Act, and in such Quantities as shall be fixed by His Majesty's Regula-

tions, not exceeding Eighteen Pounds of Hay and Six Pounds of Straw per Diem for each Horse, or shall pay any Sum of Money to any Marine on the March in lieu of furnishing in Kind the Diet and Small Beer to which such Marine is entitled; such Constable, Victualler, and other Person respectively shall forfeit for every Offence, Neglect, or Refusal any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds nor less than Forty Shillings. LII. And be it enacted, That if any Officer of Royal Ma- Penalty upon

rines shall take upon him to quarter Men otherwise than is Officers of allowed by this Act, or shall use or offer any Menace or Com-offending. pulsion to or upon any Justice, Constable, or other Civil Officer, tending to deter and discourage any of them from performing any Part of their Duty under this Act, or to do any thing contrary thereto, such Officer shall for every such Offence, being thereof convicted before any Two or more Justices of the County by the Oath of Two credible Witnesses, be deemed and taken to be ipso facto cashiered, and shall be utterly disabled to hold any Military Employment in His Majesty's Service; provided a Certificate thereof be forthwith transmitted by the said Justices to the Secretary of the Admiralty, and that the Conviction be affirmed at some Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the said County to be held next after the Expiration of Three Months after such Certificate shall have been transmitted as aforesaid; and if any Marine Officer shall take, or knowingly suffer to be taken, any Money or Reward of any Person for excusing the quartering of Officers or Marines, or shall billet any of the Wives, Children, Men or Maid Servants of any Officer or Marine in any House, against the Consent of the Occupier, he shall for any of the said Offences, upon being convicted thereof before a General Court-martial, be cashiered; and if any Officer shall constrain any Carriage to travel beyond the Distance specified in the Justice's Warrant, or shall not discharge the same in due Time for their Return Home on the same Day if it be practicable.

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ticable, except in the Case of Emergency, for which the Justice shall have given Licence, or shall compel the Driver of any Carriage to take up any Marine or Servant (except such as are sick) or any Woman to ride therein, except in Cases of Emergency as aforesaid, or shall force any Constable, by threatening Words, to provide Saddle Horses for himself or Servants, or shall force Horses from their Owners, or in *Ireland* shall force the Owner to take any Loading until the same shall be first duly weighed, if the same shall be required and can be done within a reasonable Time, or shall, contrary to the Will of the Owner or his Servant, permit any Person whatsoever to put any greater Load upon any Carriage than is directed by this Act, he shall forfeit for every Offence any Sum not exceeding Five Pounds or less than Forty Shillings.

LIII. And be it enacted, That any Person who shall unlawfully have in his or her Possession or Keeping, or who shall knowingly detain, buy, or exchange, or otherwise receive, any Arms, Ammunition, Clothes, Cap, or other Military Furniture or Appointments, from any Marine or Marine Deserter, or any other Person, upon any Account or Pretence whatsoever, or shall solicit or entice any Marine, or shall be employed by any Marine, knowing him to be such, to sell any Arms, Ammunition, Clothes, or Military Furniture, or any Provisions, Sheets, or other Articles belonging to any Marine or Marine Deserter, which are generally deemed Regimental Necessaries, according to the Custom of the Royal Marine Corps, or shall change or cause the Colour or Mark of any such Clothes, Appointments, or Necessaries to be changed or defaced, shall forfeit for every such Offence any Sum not exceeding Twenty Pounds nor less than Five Pounds, together with Treble the Value of all or any of the several Articles of which such Offender shall so become possessed; and if any credible Person shall prove on Oath before a Justice of the Peace a reasonable Cause to suspect that any Person has in his or her Possession, or on his or her Premises, any Property of the Description herein-before described, on or with respect to which any such Offence shall have been committed, the Justice may grant a Warrant to search for such Property as in the Case of stolen Goods.

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Officers not liable to take Parish Apprentices. LIV. And for the better Preservation of the Game and Fish in or near such Place where any Officers shall at any Time be quartered, be it enacted, That every Officer who shall, without Leave in Writing from the Person or Persons entitled to grant such Leave, take, kill, or destroy any Game or Fish within the United Kingdom, and who upon Complaint thereof shall be, upon Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses, convicted before any Justice, shall for every such Offence forfeit the Sum of Five Pounds.

LV. And be it enacted, That no Officer of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces residing in Barracks or elsewhere under Military Law shall be deemed liable to have any Parish Poor Child bound Apprentice to him.

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from any Marine. LVI. And be it enacted, That any Justice in the United Mode of re-

Kingdom, within whose Jurisdiction any Marine shall be quar- cording a tered, may summon such Marine before him, which Summons Settlement. such Marine is hereby required to obey, and take his Examination in Writing, upon Oath, touching the Place of his last legal Settlement in England, and such Justice shall give an attested Copy of such Examination to the Person so examined, to be by him delivered to his Commanding Officer, to be produced when required; which said Examination and such attested Copy shall be at any Time admitted in Evidence as to such last legal Settlement before any Justice or at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, although such Marine be dead or absent from the Kingdom : Provided always, that in case any Marine shall be again summoned to make Oath as aforesaid, then, on such Examination or such attested Copy being produced, such Marine shall not be obliged to make any other or further Oath with regard to his legal Settlement, but shall leave with such Justice a Copy of such Examination, or a Copy of such attested Copy of Examination, if required.

LVII. And be it enacted, That all Oaths which are autho- Administration rized or required by this Act may be administered (unless where of Oaths. otherwise provided) by any Justice of the Peace or Magistrate acting as such; and that any Person giving false Evidence or Perjury. taking a false Oath in any Case wherein an Oath is authorized or required to be taken by this Act, and being thereof duly convicted, shall be deemed guilty of wilful and corrupt Perjury, and shall be liable to such Pains and Penalties as Persons convicted of wilful and corrupt Perjury are or may be subject and liable to.

LVIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Two Licences of Justices of the Peace, within their respective Jurisdictions, to Canteens. grant or transfer any Licence for selling by Retail any Spirit. Beer, Wine, Cider, or Perry to any Person or Persons applying for the same who shall hold any Canteen under any Lease thereof, or by Agreement with any Department or other Authority under the said Lord High Admiral, or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral, for the Time being, without regard to the Time of Year, or any Notices or Certificates required by any Act in respect of such Licences; and the Commissioners of Excise within their respective Districts shall also grant or transfer any such Licence as aforesaid; and such Persons holding such Canteens, and having such Licences as aforesaid, may sell therein Victuals, and all such exciseable Liquors as they shall be licensed and empowered to sell, without being subject for so doing to any Penalty or Forfeiture whatever.

LIX. And be it enacted. That if any Action shall be brought Limitation of against any Member or Minister of a Court-martial to be as- Actions. sembled under the Authority of this Act, in respect of the Proceedings or the Sentence thereof, or against any other Person for any thing done in pursuance or under the Authority of this Act, the same shall be brought in some one of the Courts of Record

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Record at Westminster or Dublin, or in the Court of Session in Scotland, and shall be commenced within Six Months next after the Cause of Action shall arise, and that it shall be lawful for the Defendant or Defendants therein to plead thereto the General Issue, and to give all special Matter in Evidence on the Trial; and if the Verdict shall be for the Defendant in any such Action, or if the Plaintiff shall become Nonsuit, or suffer any Discontinuance thereof, or if, in Scotland, the Court shall see fit to assoilzie the Defendant or dismiss the Complaint, the Court in which the Matter shall be tried shall allow the Defendant Treble Costs, for the Recovery of which he shall have the like Remedy as in other Cases where Costs by the Laws of this Realm are given to Defendants.

LX. And be it enacted, That all Offences for which any Penalties and Forfeitures are by this Act imposed, not exceeding Twenty Pounds, over and above any Forfeiture of Value and Treble Value, shall and may be determined, and such Penalties and Forfeitures and Forfeiture of Value and Treble Value shall and may be recovered, in any Part of the United Kingdom, before One or more Justices of the Peace, under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to facilitate summary Proceedings before Justices of the Peace and others; and by another Act, passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act for the more effectual Recovery of Penalties before Justices and Magistrates on Conviction of Offenders, and for facilitating the Execution of Warrants by Constables : Provided always, that in all Cases in which there shall not be sufficient Goods whereon any Penalty or Forfeiture can be levied, the Offender may be committed and imprisoned for any Time not exceeding Six Months; which said recited Acts shall be used and applied in Scotland for the Recovery of all such Penalties and Forfeitures as fully to all Intents as if the said recited Acts had extended to Scotland, any thing in the said recited Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and all such Offences committed in the British Isles, or in any of His Majesty's Dominions beyond the Seas, may be determined, and the Penalties and Forfeitures of Value or Treble Value recovered, before any Justices of the Peace or Persons exercising like Authority, according to the Laws of the Part of His Majesty's Dominions in which the Offence shall be committed; and all Penalties and Forfeitures by this Act imposed exceeding Twenty Pounds shall be recovered by Action in some of the Courts of Record at Westminster or in Dublin, or in the Court of Session in Scotland, and in no other Court in the United Kingdom, and may be recovered in the British Isles, or in any other Parts of His Majesty's Dominions, in any of the Royal or Superior Courts of such Isles or other Parts of His Majesty's Dominions.

LXI. And be it enacted, That one Moiety of every such Penalty or Forfeiture, not including any Treble Value of any Articles, shall go to the Person who shall inform or sue for the same, and the other Moiety, together with the Treble Value of such

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such Articles, or where the Offence shall be proved by the Person who shall inform, then the whole of the Penalty and such Treble Value shall be paid over and applied in such Manner as the Lord High Admiral or the Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral shall direct; any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to provide for the Regulation of Municipal Cor- 5&6W4. c. 76. porations in England and Wales, or in any other Act or Acts of Parliament, to the contrary notwithstanding, and every Justice who shall adjudge any Penalty under this Act shall, within Four Days thereafter at the furthest, report the same and his Adjudication thereof to the Secretary of the Admiralty.

LXII. And be it enacted, That all Clauses and Provisions in Definition of this Act contained relating to England shall be construed to Terms. extend to Wales and the Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed; and all Clauses and Provisions relating to Marines shall be construed to include Non-commissioned Officers and Drummers, unless when otherwise provided; and all Clauses and Provisions relating to Justices shall be construed to extend to all Magistrates authorized to act as such in their respective Jurisdictions; and all the Powers given to and Regulations made for the Conduct of Constables, and all Penalties and Forfeitures for any Neglect thereof, shall extend to all Tithingmen, Headboroughs, and such like Officers, and High Constables and other Chief Officers and Magistrates of Cities, Towns, Villages, and Places in England and Ireland, who shall act in the Execution of this Act; and all Provisions for billetting Marines in Victualling Houses shall extend and apply to all Inns, Livery Stables, Alehouses, and to the Houses of Sellers of Wine by Retail, whether British or Foreign, to be drank in their own Houses or Places thereunto belonging, and to all Houses of Persons selling Brandy, Strong Waters, Cider, or Metheglin, by Retail, in England and Ireland; and in Ireland, when there shall not be found sufficient Room in such Houses, then Marines may be billetted in such Manner as has been heretofore customary : Provided always, that no Marines not to Officer or Marine shall be billetted in England in any private be billetted in Houses, or in any Canteen held or occupied under the Authority of the Ordnance or Marine Department, or upon Persons who keep Taverns only, being Vintners of the City of London, admitted to their Freedom of that Company in right of Patrimony or Apprenticeship, notwithstanding such Persons who keep such Taverns only have taken out Victualling Licences; nor in the House of any Distiller kept for distilling Brandy and Strong Waters; nor in the House of any Shopkeeper whose principal Dealings shall be more in other Goods and Merchandize than in Brandy and Strong Waters, so as such Distillers and Shopkeepers do not permit Tippling in such Houses; nor in the House of Residence in any Part of the United Kingdom of any Foreign Consul, duly credited as such.

LXIII. And be it enacted, That the Churchwardens of every Notification to Parish in England, and the Constable or other Officer of every Parishes of Parish or Place in Scotland, on receiving a Notification from Conduct of

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the Secretary of the Admiralty of the Name of any Marine belonging to the said Parish or Place who has for meritorious Conduct received His Majesty's special Approbation, or who in consequence of Misconduct has been dismissed His Majesty's Service with Disgrace, shall affix such Notification on the Outside of the Door of the Church or Chapel belonging to such Parish or Place on the *Sunday* next succeeding the Receipt of such Notification.

LXIV. And it is hereby declared and enacted, That all His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces shall, during the Time they shall be respectively borne on the Books of any of His Majesty's Ships or Vessels in Commission, either as Part of the Complement or as Supernumeraries, or otherwise, be subject and liable in every respect to the Laws for the Government of His Majesty's Forces by Sea, and to the Rules and Discipline of the Royal Navy, and shall and may be proceeded against and punished for Offences committed by them while so borne, in the same Manner as the Officers and Seamen employed in the Royal Navy may be tried or punished: Provided always, that if any Marine Officer or Marine'so borne on the Books of any of His Majesty's Ships shall commit on Shore any Offence against due Order and Discipline, and for which he shall not be amenable to a Naval Court-martial or to Naval Discipline, he shall be tried and punished for the same in the same Manner as other Marines may be tried and punished for the like Offences under the Authority of this Act.

LXV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall continue in force within Great Britain from the Twenty-fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven until the Twentyfifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive; and within Ireland, and in Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Sark, and the Isle of Man, and the Islands thereto belonging, from the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven until the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive; and within the Garrison of Gibraltar, and in Spain and Portugal, from the Twenty-fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven until the Twenty-fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive; and in all other Parts of Europe where Royal Marine Forces may be serving, and the West Indies and North America and Cape of Good Hope, from the Twenty-fifth Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Twenty-fifth Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive; and in all other Places from the Twenty-fifth Day of November One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Twenty-fifth Day of November One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight inclusive.

LXVI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered, varied, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

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SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

FORM of OATHS to be taken by MEMBERS of COURTS-MARTIAL. **VOU** shall well and truly try and determine according to the Evidence in the Matter now before you. So help you GOD. do swear, That I will truly administer Justice, according to the Rules and Articles for the better Government of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces, and according to an Act now in force for the Regulation of the said Forces while on shore, without Partiality, Favour, or Affection, and if any Doubt shall arise which is not explained by the said Articles or Act, according to my Conscience, the best of my Understanding, and the Custom of War in the like Cases : And I further swear, That I will not divulge the Sentence of the Court until it shall be duly approved; neither will I, upon any Account, at any Time whatsoever, disclose or discover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unless required to give Evidence thereof as a Witness by a Court of Justice or a Court-martial in a due Course of Law.

So help me GOD.

FORM of QATH of JUDGE ADVOCATE.

I do swear, That I will not, upon any Account whatsoever, disclose or discover the Vote or Opinion of any particular Member of the Court-martial, unless required to give Evidence thereof as a Witness by a Court of Justice or a Court-martial in a due Course of Law. So help me GOD.

QUESTIONS to be separately put by the JUSTICE to a RECRUIT.

- 1. What is your Name?
- 2. In what Parish, and in or near what Town, and in what County, were you born?
- 3. What is your Age?
- 4. What is your Trade or Calling?
- 5. Are you an Apprentice?
- 6. Are you married?
- 7. Are you ruptured or lame; have you ever been subject to Fits; or have you any Disability or Disorder which impedes the free Use of your Limbs, or unfits you for ordinary Labour?
 - 8. Are you willing to be attested to serve in the Royal Marine Forces until you shall be legally discharged?
 - 9. On what Day and by whom were you enlisted?
- 10. For what Bounty did you enlist?
- 11. Do you now belong to the Militia?
- 12. Do you belong to any Regiment, or to the Marines, Ordnance, or Navy?
- 13. Have you served in the Army, Marines, Ordnance, or Navy?
- Note.— The Justice is directed, in putting the Eleventh Question to the Recruit, and before he receives his Answer, distinctly to apprise the Recruit that if he belongs to the Militia, and denies the Fact, he is liable to Six Months Imprisonment.
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OATH to be taken by a RECRUIT enlisting.

I do make Oath, That the above Questions have been separately put to me, that the Answers thereto have been read over to me, and that they are the same that I gave, and are true.

I do also make Oath, That I will be faithful and bear true Allegiance to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors; and that I will, as in Duty bound, honestly and faithfully defend His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, in Person, Crown, and Dignity, against all Enemies; and will observe and obey all Orders of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and of the Generals and Officers set over me. So help me GOD.

Witness my Hand

Signature of the Recruit.

Witness present.

Sworn before me at this Day of One thousand eight hundred and

Signature of the Justice.

CERTIFICATE to be given by the JUSTICE.

Description of Age, apparently Height, Feet Inches. Complexion, Eyes, Hair,

Any distinctive Mark.

one of His Majesty's Justices to wit. I of the Peace of do hereby certify, That the above is the Description of the Recruit ; and in my Presence all the aforegoing Questions were put to the said ; that the Answers written opposite to them are those which he gave to me; and that the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Articles of the Second Section of the Rules and Articles for the better Government of His Majesty's Royal Marine Forces while on shore, against Mutiny, and the First Article of the Third Section of the said Rules and Articles, against Desertion, were read over to him; that he took the Oath of Allegiance and Fidelity; that he received the Sum of

on being attested this Day; and that I have given him a Duplicate of this Certificate signed with my Name.

Signature of the Justice.

FORM of OATH to be taken by a MASTER whose Apprentice has absconded.

I am by Trade a of do make Oath, That I bound to serve as an Apprentice to me in the said Trade, by Indenture

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of my Knowledge a about	Years; and that the said Day of without my Consent; and and Belief the said Years. Witness my Hand	is aged
Sworn before me a Day of	t this One thousand eight	-

FORM of JUSTICE'S CERTIFICATE to be given to the MASTER of an Apprentice.

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to wit. } I one of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of certify, That came before me at the of Day of One thousand eight hundred and and made Oath that he was by Trade a , and was bound to serve as an Apprentice to him in that the said Trade, by Indenture dated the Day of for the Term of Years; and that the said Apprentice did on or about the abscond and Day of quit the Service of the said without his Consent; and that to the best of his Knowledge and Belief the said Ap-prentice is aged about Years.

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Day of	Whether the Prisoner confessed before the	Magistrates that he is a Deserter.	·	Prisoner, and y Surgeon. t or near the report as to
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on the	Name, Occupation, and Address	by whom apprehended.		* I certify, that I have inspected the Prisoner, and consider him fit for active Service. Signature of Surgeon. • If a Military Medical Officer be at or near the Place, he will inspect the Deserter, and report as to his Fitness for Military Service.
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	Probable Date of Enlistment,	and in what District.		o the seter o, seter.
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CAP. IX.

An Act to amend several Acts relating to the Royal Mint. [21st April 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, ' intituled An Act to ascertain the Salary of the Master and \$9 G. S. c. 94. " Worker of His Majesty's Mint : And whereas another Act was passed in the Session holden in the First and Second Years ' of the Reign of His present Majesty King William the Fourth, ' intituled An Act to reduce the Salary of the Master and Worker 1& 2W.4.c.10. ' of His Majesty's Mint: And whereas the Monies required for ' defraying the Charge of the Salary of the Master and Worker ' and the other Expences of His Majesty's Mint are now pro-' vided from various different Sources, partly from Fees, Allow-6 ances, and Emoluments authorized by the Indenture between ' His Majesty and the said Master and Worker, partly from the ' Consolidated Fund, partly by annual Grants of Parliament, ' and partly from the Profits derived from the Coinage of Silver ' and Copper: And whereas the said Fees, Allowances, and ' Emoluments are payable out of Public Monies applicable to • defray the Expences of the Coinage; and it would tend to ' Simplicity in the Accounts of the Mint that no such Fees, Al-' lowances, or Emoluments should henceforth be payable : And ' whereas it is expedient that the whole Charge of His Majesty's ' Mint should be brought annually under the Consideration of ' Parliament:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That After 5th of the Fees, Allowances, and Emoluments granted by the said April 1837 all Indenture between His Majesty and the Master and Worker of rest, arc. the Mint shall from and after the Fifth Day of April One thou- Master of the sand eight hundred and thirty-seven cease and be no longer Mint to cease. payable.

II. And be it further enacted, That so much of the said re- so much of cited Acts and of any other Act or Acts as authorizes the Lord recited Acts as High Treasurer or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Trea-sury to charge upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Money upon Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland any Sum or Sums of the Consolidated Money for the Salaries and Allowances to the Officers of the Salaries to Offi-Mint in England shall, from and after the said Fifth Day of cers repealed. April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, be and the same is hereby repealed, save and except such Parts thereof as relate to the Salary payable to the present Comptroller of His Majesty's Mint.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall not be lawful From and after for the Master and Worker of His Majesty's Mint at any Time the same Date, after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and to be paid into thirty-seven to apply any Part of the Seigniorage which accrues the Bank, to upon the Coinage of Silver or Copper in aid of any of the Ex- the Credit of the Consolidated pences of the said Coinage, or of any of the Expenditure of the Fund. G 3 Mint.

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Mint, any thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and the whole of such Seigniorage shall be paid from Time to Time to the Account of His Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of England, to be carried by the Comptroller General of the Exchequer to the Consolidated Fund of the United King-' dom of Great Britain and Ireland.

IV. 'And whereas Circumstances may require that the Mas-• ter and Worker of the Mint should be authorized to purchase Bullion in order to provide Supplies of Coin for the Public 6 6 Service: And whereas it is expedient to authorize the Issue of ' Money from the Consolidated Fund for that Purpose;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, for the Time being, to authorize and direct the Issue, upon Account, to the Master and Worker of His Majesty's Mint from Time to Time, out of the said Consolidated Fund, of such Sum or Sums of Money as may be necessary to effect such Purchases of Bullion for Coinage: Provided always, that such Issues shall not be applied to any other Purpose, and that the whole Amount which shall be received by the Master and Worker of the Mint in payment for the Coin which shall be produced from the Bullion so purchased shall be paid to the Account of His Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of England, to be carried by the Comptroller of the Exchequer to the Consolidated Fund in repayment of the Advances so made: Provided also, that an Account of all such Issues and Repayments in each Year shall be laid before both Houses of Parliament within Ten Days after the Commencement of every Session.

CAP. X.

An Act to alter, amend, and continue for a certain Period, an Act for repealing certain Acts relating to the Removal of poor Persons born in Scotland and Ireland, and chargeable to Parishes in England, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof.

[21st April 1837.]

THEREAS an Act was passed in the Session of Parliament held in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His s& 4W. 4. c. 40. • present Majesty, intituled An Act to repeal certain Acts re-· lating to the Removal of poor Persons born in Scotland and Ire-· land, and chargeable to Parishes in England, and to make other Provisions in lieu thereof, until the First Day of May One thousand 6 eight hundred and thirty-six, and from thence to the End of the " then next Session of Parliament . And whereas the Provisions ' of the said Act have been found beneficial: And whereas the ' said Act will expire at the End of the present Session of Par-· liament, and it is desirable that the same should be continued ' and renewed as herein-after provided :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice 12 and

Treasury may authorize the Issue of Money for the Purchase of Bullion for Coinage.

Such Issues not to be applied to any other Purpose.

Account thereof to be annually laid before Parliament.

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and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Act, and all and every the Pro- Recited Act visions thereof, shall be and the same are hereby continued and 3&4W.4.c.40. renewed to the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred continued. and thirty-nine and the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

II. And be it enacted, That every Person to whom any Order Persons re for removing a poor Person or Persons, made in pursuance of moving Poor in the said recited Act or of this Act, shall be delivered for the this Act to Purpose of being carried into execution, shall and may detain have the Powers and hold in safe Custody every poor Person mentioned in any of Constables. such Order until such poor Person shall have arrived at the Place to which he is ordered to be removed, and shall and may for that Purpose in every County and Place through which he shall pass in the due Execution of such Order have and exercise the Powers with which a Constable is by Law invested, notwithstanding such Person may not otherwise be empowered to act as a Constable for the County or Place respectively through which he may have occasion to pass in carrying such Order into full Execution.

CAP. XI.

An Act to apply the Sum of Eight Millions, out of anthe for Many the Consolidated Fund, to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

[5th May 1837.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and ' Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the Supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty in ' this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto Your ' Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned;' and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That there shall and may There shall be be issued and applied, for or towards making good the Supply applied, for the granted to His Majesty for the Service of the Year One thou-Year 1837, sand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Sum of Eight Millions 8,000,0001. out out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great of the Consoli-Britain and Ireland, and the Commissioners of His Majesty's dated Fund. Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

11. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be law- The Treasury ful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any may cause Three or more of them, for the Time being, from Time to 5,000,000. of Exchequer Bills Time, to be made out G 4





in manner prescribed by 48 G. S. c. l.

The Clauses, &c. in recited Act extended to this Act.

Interest on Exchequer Bills.

Bank of England may advance 8,000,000*l*. on the Credit of this Act, notwithstanding 5 & 6 W. & M. c. 20.

The Treasury may cause the Bills to be delivered to the Bank of England as Security for Advances. Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at *Westminster* for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Eight Millions; and such Exchequer Bills shall be made out in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are directed and prescribed in and by an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills.

III. And be it further enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said several Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

IV. And be it further enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Three-pence Halfpenny per Centum per Diem upon or in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein.

V. And be it declared and further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and they are hereby empowered, to take, accept, and receive the Exchequer Bills authorized to be made out in pursuance of this Act, and to advance or lend to His Majesty, at the Receipt of the Exchequer at Westminster, upon the Credit of the Sum granted by this Act out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Eight Millions; any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon the Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against France, or any other Act or Acts, to the contrary notwithstanding.

VI. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to cause such Bills as shall be prepared by virtue of this Act to be delivered from Time to Time to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, in such Proportions as the Public Service may require, as Security for any Advance or Advances which may be made to His Majesty by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* under the Authority of this Act.

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VII. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for The Treasury the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to issue and may apply the apply from Time to Time all such Sums of Money as shall be Money raised to the Services raised by Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this of the Year. Act to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in this present Session of Parliament.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Principal Sum Exchequer or Sums of Money to be contained in all such Exchequer Bills chargeable upon to be made forth by virtue of this Act, together with the In- the growing terest that may become due thereon, shall be and the same are Produce of the Consolidated hereby made chargeable and charged upon the growing Pro-Fund. duce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said Exchequer Bills have been issued; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized, from Time to Time by Warrant under their Hands, to direct the Comptroller General of the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster*, in such Manner as they shall think necessary, to grant a Credit on the Exchequer Funds in the Bank of England unto such Person or Persons as shall be named in the said Warrant, which Credit shall be chargeable on and paid out of the growing Produce of the said Consolidated Fund of the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said Exchequer Bills have been issued, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole a Sum sufficient to discharge and pay off the Principal Sum or Sums of Money contained in such Exchequer Bills then outstanding, and which may have been made out and issued by virtue of this Act, together with all such Interest as may be due thereupon.

CAP. XII.

An Act to indemnify such Persons in the United Kingdom as have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices and Employments, and for extending the Time limited for those Purposes respectively until the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and for the Relief of Clerks to Attornies and Solicitors in certain Cases.

[8th June 1837.]

WHEREAS divers Persons, who, on account of their Offices, Places, Employments, or Professions, or any ' other Cause or Occasion, ought to have taken and subscribed ' the Oaths or Assurance respectively appointed to be by such ' Persons taken and subscribed in and by an Act made in the ' First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the ' First, of glorious Memory, intituled An Act for the further 1 G. 1. st. 2 ' Security of His Majesty's Person and Government, and the Suc- c. 13. cession

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' cession of the Crown in the Heirs of the late Princess Sophia, being Protestants; and for extinguishing the Hopes of the pretended ' Prince of Wales, and his open and secret Abettors; or to have ' qualified themselves according to an Act made in the Thir-' teenth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, in-13 C. 2. st. 2. ' tituled An Act for the well-governing and regulating of Corpora-' tions; or to have qualified themselves according to another Act made in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King 25 C. 2. st. 2. ' Charles the Second, intituled An Act for preventing the Dan-' gers which may happen from Popish Recusants ; or according ' to another Act made in the Thirtieth Year of the Reign ' of King Charles the Second, intituled An Act for the more 30 C. 2. st. 2. • effectual preserving the King's Person and Government, by dis-" abling Papists from sitting in either House of Parliament; or ⁶ according to another Act made in the Eighth Year of the ⁶ Reign of His late Majesty King George the First, intituled " An Act for granting the People called Quakers such Forms of 8 G. l. c. 6. Affirmation or Declaration as may remove the Difficulties which " many of them lie under; or according to another Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King 9 G. 2, c. 26. "George the Second, intituled An Act for indemnifying Persons ' who have omitted to qualify themselves for Offices within the ' Time limited by Law, and for allowing further Time for that · Purpose; and for amending so much of an Act passed in the ' Second Year of the Reign of His present Majesty as requires ' Persons to qualify themselves for Offices before the End of the ' next Term or Quarter Sessions, and also for enlarging the Time ' limited by Law for making and subscribing the Declaration ' against Transubstantiation; and for allowing a further Time " for Enrolment of Deeds and Wills made by Papists; and for · Relief of Protestant Purchasers, Devisees, and Lessees; or ac-· cording to another Act made in the Eighteenth Year of the · Reign of His late Majesty King George the Second, intituled 18 G. 2. c. 20. ' An Act to amend and render more effectual an Act passed in the Fifth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act ' for the further Qualification of Justices of the Peace'; or ac-' cording to another Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign 6 G. s. c. 53. of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for altering the Oath of Abjuration, and the Assurance; and for amending so much of an Act made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled 'An Act ' for the Improvement of the Union of the Two Kingdoms,' as after ' the Time therein limited requires the Delivery of certain Lists and Copies therein mentioned to Persons indicted of High Treason ' or Misprision of Treason; or according to another Act passed ' in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King 9 G. 4. c. 17. George the Fourth, intituled An Act for repealing so much of ' several Acts as imposes the Necessity of receiving the Sacrament ' of the Lord's Supper as a Qualification for certain Offices and · Employments ; or according to another Act passed in the Tenth 10 G. 4. c. 7. . ' Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act ' for the Relief of His Majesty's Roman Catholic Subjects, so far • only

' only as the said Act relates to any Civil or Military Offices ' or Places of Trust, or Places of Profit or Corporate Offices; ' have, through Ignorance of the Law, Absence, or some un-' avoidable Accident, omitted to take and subscribe the Oaths ' and Assurance and make and subscribe the Declaration ' required by the said recited Acts or either of them, or other-' wise to qualify themselves as aforesaid, within such Time and ' in such Manner as in and by the said Acts respectively is ' required, whereby they have incurred, or may be in danger ' of incurring, divers Penalties and Disabilities:' For quieting the Minds of His Majesty's Subjects, and for preventing any. Inconvenience that might otherwise happen by means of such Omissions, be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all and every Person Persons who or Persons who, at or before the passing of this Act, hath or have omitted shall have omitted to take and subscribe the Oaths and Declara- themselves as tions, or otherwise to qualify him, her, or themselves, within required by the such Time and in such Manner as in and by the said Acts or recited Acts in-demnified and any of them is required, and who, after accepting any such allowed further Office, Place, or Employment, or undertaking any Profession Time. or Thing, on account of which such Qualification ought to have been had and is required, before the passing of this Act hath or have taken and subscribed the said Oaths or made the Declarations required by Law, or who, on or before the Twentyfifth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight, shall take and subscribe the Oaths, Declarations, and Assurance respectively, in such Cases wherein by the said several Acts or any or either of them the said Oaths, Declarations, and Assurance ought to have been taken and subscribed, in such Manner and Form, and at or in such Place or Places, as are appointed in and by the said several Acts or any or either of them, shall be and are hereby indemnified, freed, and discharged from and against all Penalties, Forfeitures, Incapacities, and Disabilities incurred or to be incurred for or by reason of any Neglect or Omission, previous to the passing of this Act, of taking or subscribing the said Oaths or Assurance, or making or subscribing the said Declarations respectively, or taking or subscribing the said Oath, according to the abovementioned Acts or any of them, or any other Act or Acts; and such Person or Persons is and are and shall be fully and actually recapacitated and restored to the same State and Condition as he, she, or they were in before such Neglect or Omission, and shall be and be deemed and adjudged to have duly qualified him, her, or themselves according to the abovementioned Acts and every of them; and that all Elections of, and Acts done or to be done by, any such Person or Persons, or by Authority derived from him, her, or them, are and shall be of the same Force and Validity as the same or any of them would have been if such Person or Persons respectively had taken

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taken the said Oaths or Assurance, and made and subscribed the said Declarations respectively, and taken and subscribed the said Oath, according to the Directions of the said Acts and every or any of them; and that the Qualification of such Person or Persons qualifying themselves in manner and within the Time appointed by this Act shall be to all Intents and Purposes as effectual as if such Person or Persons had respectively taken the said Oaths and Assurance, and made and subscribed the said Declarations respectively, and taken and subscribed the said Oath, within the Time and in the Manner appointed by the several Acts before mentioned.

II. 'And whereas several Persons well affected to His Majesty's Government, and to the United Church of England 6 and Ireland, have, through Ignorance of the Law, neglected, 6 or been, by Sickness or other unavoidable Causes, prevented ' from taking and subscribing the Declaration according to the · Directions of an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland in the · Second Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, ' intituled An Act to prevent the further Growth of Popery;' be it therefore enacted, That all Persons who have incurred any Penalty or Incapacity in the said recited Act mentioned, by neglecting to qualify themselves according to the said Act, shall be and are hereby indemnified, freed, and discharged from all Incapacities, Disabilities, Penalties, and Forfeitures incurred by reason of such Omission or Neglect as aforesaid; and that no Act done by any of them, not yet avoided, shall be questioned or avoided by reason of such Omission or Neglect, but that all such Acts shall be and are hereby declared to be as good and effectual as if such Persons respectively had taken and subscribed the said Oath, and made and repeated and subscribed the said Declaration, at such Time and Place and Manner as in the said Act is mentioned; any thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that such Person or Persons do and shall take and subscribe the said Oaths, and make, repeat, and subscribe the said Declaration, in such Manner and Form, and in such Place or Places respectively, as are directed and appointed by the said last-recited Act, on or before the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

III. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That this Act, or any thing herein contained, shall not extend or be construed to extend to indemnify any Person against whom final Judgment shall have been given in any Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record, for any Penalty incurred by having neglected to qualify himself within the Time limited by Law.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing contained in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to exempt any Justice of the Peace within *Great Britain* from the Penalties to which he is subject for acting as such without being possessed of the Qualification required by the Laws now in force. V. ' And

Indemnity to those who have omitted to make and subscribe the Oath and Declaration required by the Irish Act of 2 Ann.

Not to indemnify Persons against whom final Judgment is given.

Not to exempt Justices acting without legal Qualification.

V. ' And whereas the Appointment of divers Clerks of the Admissions to Corporations · Peace, Town Clerks, and other Public Officers, and the Admay be stamped mission of divers Members and Officers of Cities, Corporations, after Time al-' and Borough Towns in Great Britain and Ireland, or the En- lowed by Law. • tries of such Admissions in the Court Books, Rolls, or Records · of such Cities, Corporations, and Borough Towns, which by · several Acts are directed and required to be stamped, may not ' have been provided or the same not stamped, or may have • been lost or mislaid;' be it further enacted, That for the Relief of such Persons whose Appointments and Admissions, or the Entries of whose Admissions as aforesaid, may not have been provided, or not duly stamped, or where the same have been lost or mislaid, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Persons in Great Britain or Ireland, on or before the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to provide or cause to be provided Appointments and Admissions, or **Entries** of Admissions, as aforesaid, duly stamped; or in case where such Appointments, Admissions, or Entries of Admissions as aforesaid have been made or provided, but have not been duly stamped, to produce such Appointments, Admissions, or Entries of Admissions as aforesaid to the Commissioners appointed to inspect and manage the Revenues of the Stamp Duties, to be duly stamped, which such Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered and required to duly stamp, on Payment of Double the Amount of the Duties first payable or te have been paid on such Appointments, Admissions, or Entries as aforesaid, without any other Fine or Forfeiture thereon; and, in order to denote the said Duties, the said Commissioners are hereby authorized and empowered to use such Stamps as shall have been heretofore provided to denote any former Duties on stamped Vellum, Parchment, and Paper, or to cause new Stamps to be provided for that Purpose, and to do all other Things necessary for putting this Act in execution, in the like and in as full and ample Manner as they or the major Part of them are authorized to put in execution any former Law concerning stamped Vellum, Parchment, and Paper; and such Persons so providing Appointments, Admissions, or Entries of Admissions as aforesaid, duly stamped, or procuring the same to be duly stamped in manner aforesaid, are and shall be hereby confirmed and qualified to act as Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, and other Public Officer, or Member or Members, Officer or Officers of such Cities, Corporations, and Borough Towns respectively, to all Intents and Purposes, and shall and may hold and enjoy and execute such Offices, or any other Office or Offices into which he or they hath or have been elected, notwithstanding his or their Omission or the Omission of any of their Predecessors in such Cities, Corporations, or Borough Towns as aforesaid, and shall be indemnified and discharged of and from all Incapacities, Disabilities, Forfeitures, Penalties, and Damages by reason of any such Omission; and none of his or their Acts shall be questioned or avoided by reason of the same.

VI. 'And

VI. 'And whereas many Persons who may have paid the

Indemnity to Persons who have paid the Duties on Indentures to serve as Clerks to Attornies, &c. but have neglected to cause Affidavits thereof to be made. Cap. 12.

' proper Stamp Duties either before or within Six Months after ' the Execution of the Contracts in Writing entered into by them ' to serve as Clerks to Attornies or Solicitors, Scriveners or No-6 taries Public, in Great Britain, have omitted to cause Affidavits to be made, and afterwards to be filed in the proper Office, of ' the actual Execution of such Contracts, and have also omitted ' to cause such Contracts and the Indentures thereof to be en-' rolled within the Time in which the same ought to have been ' done; and many Solicitors, Attornies, Notaries Public, and · others have omitted to take out Annual Certificates, or to enter ' the same in the proper Office; and many Infants and others ' may thereby incur certain Disabilities:' For preventing thereof, and relieving such Persons, be it enacted, That every Person who shall, either before or within Six Months after the Execution of such Contract or Indenture, have paid the proper Stamp Duty in that Behalf, and who at the passing of this Act shall have neglected or omitted to cause any such Affidavit or Affidavits as aforesaid to be made and filed, or such Contract or Indenture to be enrolled, and who, on or before the First Day of Hilary Term One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, shall cause such Contract or Indenture to be enrolled with the proper Officer in that Behalf, and One or more Affidavit or Affidavits to be made, and afterwards to be filed, in such Manner as the same ought to have been made and filed in due Time, shall be and is hereby indemnified, freed, and discharged from and against all Penalties, Forfeitures, Incapacities, and Disabilities in or by any Act or Acts of Parliament mentioned, and incurred or to be incurred for or by reason of such Neglect or Omission; and every such Affidavit and Affidavits so to be made, and which shall be duly filed on or before the First Day of Hilary Term. One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, shall be as effectual to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been made and filed within the respective Times the same ought by the Laws now in being for that Purpose to have been made and filed; and that the respective Officer or Officers who ought to receive, file, enter, or register such Contract or Indenture, or Affidavit or Affidavits, shall not refuse to receive, file, enter, or register the same by reason that the Attorney, Solicitor, or Notary Public to whom such Infant or other Person shall have been articled or have contracted to serve shall have neglected to take out his Annual Certificate, or to register the same, but such Officer or Officers are hereby directed and empowered to receive, file, enter, or register the same, notwithstanding such Omission; and that every Person who shall have regularly served any Attorney or Attornies, Solicitor or Solicitors, Notary Public or Notaries Public, for the Term of Years required by Law, shall not be prevented or disqualified from being admitted an Attorney, Solicitor, or Notary Public, by reason of any Omission of the Person or Persons to whom he served for the same Term, or far any Part thereof, having so neglected to take out his Annual Certificate,

Neglect of Attornies, &c. in taking out their Annual Certificates not to disqualify the Persons who have served them. 1837.

Certificate, or to register the same, provided that such Person is otherwise entitled to be created and admitted to such Office by the Laws now in force relating thereto.

VIL And be it enacted, That in case the Attorney, Solicitor, Defects in the Proctor, or Notary to whom any Person shall have duly served his Clerkship under Articles in Writing for that Purpose shall to disqualify after such Service of the Clerk be struck off the Roll in consequence of some Defect in the Service under the Articles of have served Clerkship or of the Admission and Enrolment of such Attorney, Solicitor, Proctor, or Notary, the Person who has so duly served his Clerkship shall not be prevented or disqualified from being admitted and enrolled as an Attorney, Solicitor, Proctor, or Notary, nor liable to be struck off the Roll if admitted, by reason of any such Defect as aforesaid, provided that such Clerk or Person be otherwise entitled to be admitted and enrolled according to the Laws now in force relating thereto.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That no Person who has Applications for been admitted and enrolled and in actual Practice as an At- striking Attor torney, Solicitor, Proctor, or Notary shall be liable to be struck for Defect in off the Roll for or on account of any Defect in the Articles of Articles, &c. Clerkship, or the Registry thereof, or the Service under such to be made Articles, or of his Admission and Enrolment, unless the Ap-months of plication for striking him off the Roll be made within Twelve Admission. Months from the Time of his Admission and Enrolment.

IX. ' And whereas by an Act passed in the Seventh Year of The Word ' the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, to "Months" in 7 G. 4. c. 44. ' allow, until the Tenth Day of October One thousand eight to mean Calen. ' hundred and twenty-six, the Enrolment of certain Articles of dar Montha. · Clerkship, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, it was enacted, that it should not be lawful for the Commissioners ' of Stamps, or any of their Officers, to stamp, under any Pretence whatever, after the Expiration of Six Months from their · Date, any Articles of Clerkship to Attornies or others as therein specified: And whereas the using of the Word " "Months" in the said last-mentioned Act, in this respect, ' without the Addition of the Word "Calendar," occasioned ' Mistakes and Inconveniences;' be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the Word "Months" used in the said last-mentioned Act, so far as the same relates to the stamping of Articles of Clerkship to Attornies and others therein specified, shall be understood to mean Calendar Months.

X. ' And whereas several Persons bound to serve as Clerks Indentures, &c. ' or Apprentices to Attornies or Solicitors have applied to have may be stamped the Indentures or Contracts of such Clerkship stamped after before last Day the Expiration of Six Lunar and before the Expiration of Term 1837 if Six Calendar Months from the Date thereof;' be it further Application enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes, or any of their proper Officers, at any Time before the last Day of *Michaelmas* Term One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, to stamp any Articles of Clerk- the Dates ship, Contract, Indenture, or other Instrument whereby any Person hath become bound to serve as a Clerk or Apprentice,

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in order to his Admission as an Attorney or Solicitor in any of the Courts of Law or Equity, although the Period of Six Calendar Months from the Date thereof hath now elapsed, upon Payment of the proper Duty payable in respect of the same, and of the further Sum of Five Pounds by way of Penalty, provided it shall be proved to the Satisfaction of the said Commissioners that Application was made to them or to their proper Officer to have such Articles, Contract, Indenture, or Instrument stamped within Six Calendar Months from the Date thereof.

Not to restore Persons to any Office avoided by Judgment.

General Issue.

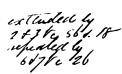
XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That this Act or any thing herein contained shall not extend or be construed to extend to restore or entitle any Person or Persons to any Office or Employment, Benefice, Matter, or Thing whatsoever, already actually avoided by Judgment of any of His Majesty's Courts of Record, already legally filled up and enjoyed by any other Person; but that such Office or Employment, Benefice, Matter, or Thing, so avoided or legally filled up and enjoyed, shall be and remain in and to the Person or Persons who is or are now or shall at the passing of this Act be legally entitled to the same, as if this Act had never been made

X11. And be it further enacted, That in case any Action, Suit, Bill of Indictment, or Information shall from and after the passing of this Act be brought, carried on, or prosecuted against any Person or Persons hereby meant or intended to be indemnified, recapacitated, or restored, for or on account of any Forfeiture, Penalty, Incapacity, or Disability whatsoever incurred or to be incurred by any such Neglect or Omission, such Person or Persons may plead the General Issue, and upon their Defence give this Act and the special Matter in Evidence upon any Trial to be had thereupon.

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An Act to amend the Acts for regulating the General Penitentiary at *Millbank*. [8th June 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Acts for regulating the General Penitentiary at Millbank, as herein-after ' mentioned:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by an Order in Writing to be notified in Writing by One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to direct that any Male or Female Offenders in any Prison or other Place of Confinement within Great Britain, under Sentence or Order of any Court, or of any competent Authority, for any Offence committed by them, shall be removed from the Prison or other Place of Confinement in which they are confined to the General Penitentiary at Millbank, there to remain under the respective Sentences or Orders re-13 lating



His Majesty may direct Prisoners to be removed to the General Penitentiary, there to remain under their Sentences until further Orders for carrying such Sentences into effect.



lating to them, or until further Order shall be given by the like Authority for carrying such Sentences or Orders into effect according to Law; all such Offenders during their Confinement in such Penitentiary to be subject to all Powers, Provisions, and Regulations for the Confinement, Employment, and Management of Convicts in such Penitentiary: Provided always, that where any Offender shall be removed to such Penitentiary under any Order purporting to be made by virtue of the previous Provision of this Act, the Sentence or Order of the Court or other competent Authority relating to such Offender shall still remain in full Force, and shall not be affected or abridged by the subsequent Provisions of this Act.

II. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year So much of ' of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled An Act 56 G. s. c. 63. to regulate the General Penitentiary for Convicts at Millbank as regulates the Terms of Conin the County of Middlesex, it is among other things enacted, finement of that it shall and may be lawful for His Majesty, by an Or- Convicts reder in Writing to be notified by the Secretary of State, to moved to the direct that any Person who may be under Sentence or Order repealed, and · of Transportation for any Offence committed within that Part other Terms · of the United Kingdom called England and Wales, and who substituted. • having been examined by an experienced Surgeon or Apothecary shall appear to be free from any putrid or infectious Distemper, and fit to be removed from the Gaol or Prison ' in which such Person may be confined, shall be removed to the said Penitentiary, there to remain and continue for and during the Term of Five Years in case such Convict shall 4 be under Sentence or Order of Transportation for Seven Years only, and for and during the Term of Seven Years in • case such Convict shall be under Sentence or Order of Transportation for Fourteen Years, and for and during the Term. of Ten Years in case such Convict shall be under Sentence or • Order for Life: And whereas it is expedient to repeal the · herein-before recited Part of the said Act, and also such · Part of the said Act as relates to reducing the Term of Con-· finement in the said Penitentiary in consequence of the pre-• vious Confinement of the Convict in some other Prison;' be it therefore enacted, That the said Parts of the said Act shall be and the same are hereby repealed; and that it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by an Order in Writing to be notified by the Secretary of State, to direct that any Person who may be under Sentence or Order of Transportation for any Offence committed in that Part of the United Kingdom called Great Britain, and who having been examined by an experienced Surgeon or Apothecary shall appear to be free from any putrid or infectious Distemper, and fit to be removed from the Gaol or Prison in which such Person may be confined, shall be removed to the said Penitentiary, there to remain and continue for and during the Term of Three Years in case such Convict shall be under Sentence or Order of Transportation for Seven Years only, and for and during the Term of Four Years in case such Convict shall H

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shall be under Sentence or Order for Fourteen Years, and for and during the Term of Five Years in case such Convict shall be under Sentence or Order for Life; the said respective Terms of Three Years, Four Years, and Five Years to be computed from the Day of the Conviction of the Offender.

III. And be it further enacted, That every Convict who shall have been removed before the passing of this Act to the said Penitentiary, there to remain and continue for and during the Term of Five Years, Seven Years, or Ten Years, in lieu of any Sentence or Order of Transportation for Seven Years, Fourteen Years, or for Life, as the Case may be, shall remain and continue in the said Penitentiary for and during the Term of Three Years in case such Convict shall have been under Sentence or Order of Transportation for Seven Years only, and for and during the Term of Four Years in case such Convict shall have been under Sentence or Order for Fourteen Years, and for and during the Term of Five Years in case such Convict shall have been under Sentence or Order for Life; the respective Terms of Three Years, Four Years, or Five Years to be computed from the Day of the Conviction of the Offender (Superintending Provided always, that it shall be lawful for the superintending Committee may Committee of the said Penitentiary to recommend as Objects recommendany committee of the said Penitentiary to recommend as Objects of such Convicts of the Royal Mercy, on the Ground of good Conduct, any of as Objects of the such Convicts who shall have been removed to the said Penitentiary before the passing of this Act, being at the Time of such Removal under Sentence or Order of Transportation for Life or for Fourteen Years.

> IV. And be it further enacted. That so much of the several Acts passed for the Management of the said Penitentiary as relates to Recommendations by the superintending Committee of Convicts to His Majesty as Objects of the Royal Mercy, (save and except such Convicts herein-before described as were removed to the said Penitentiary before the passing of this Act,) and to the Division of Convicts into Classes, called the First and Second Classes, and to the burning or selling and disposing of the Clothes of Prisoners, and to the granting to them any Part of the Profits arising from their Labour, and to the Payment of Money to Prisoners for good Conduct after their Discharge, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

> V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That where any Convict shall have been removed or may hereafter be removed to the said Penitentiary under Two Sentences of Transportation, each for the Term of Seven Years, or under Two Sentences of Transportation each for the Term of Fourteen Years, such Two Sentences for Seven Years shall for the Purposes of this Act be deemed equivalent to One Sentence of Transportation for Fourteen Years, and such Two Sentences for Fourteen Years shall for the like Purposes be deemed equivalent to One Sentence of Transportation for Life.

> VI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall in any Manner affect His Majesty's Royal Prerogative of Mercy.

> > VII. And

Terms of Imprisonment of Convicts removed to the Penitentiary before the passing of this Act.

Royal Mercy.

Provisions of former Acts as to dividing of Convicts into Classes, and to their Clothes, Allowances, and Rewards, repealed, (excep åc.)

As to Convicts removed under Two Sentences of Transportation.

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VII. And be it further enacted, That this Act, or any Part Alteration of thereof, may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

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An Act to explain and amend Two Acts relating to Trial by Jury in Scotland. [8th June 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled • An Act to facilitate the Administration of Justice in that Part 55 G. 3. c. 42. ' of the United Kingdom called Scotland by the extending Trial by ' Jury to Civil Causes, it is enacted, that it shall be competent to ' the Counsel for any Party at the Trial of any Issue or Issues ' to except to the Opinion and Direction of the Judge or ' Judges before whom the same shall be tried, either as to the · Competency of Witnesses, the Admissibility of Evidence, or other Matter of Law arising at the Trial, and that on such ⁴ Exception being taken the same shall be put in Writing by the ' Counsel for the Party objecting, and signed by the Judge or ' Judges, but notwithstanding the said Exception the Trial shall ' proceed, and the Jury shall give a Verdict therein for the ' Pursuer or Defender, and assess Damages when necessary; ' and after the Trial of every such Issue or Issues the Judge ' who presided shall forthwith present the said Exception, with ' the Order or Interlocutor directing such Issue or Issues, and ' a Copy of the Verdict of the Jury indorsed thereon, to the · Division by which the said Issue or Issues were directed, which • Division shall thereupon order the said Exception to be heard ' in Presence on or before the Fourth Sederunt Day thereafter; ' and in case the said Division shall allow the said Exception, ' they shall direct another Jury to be summoned for the Trial ' of the said Issue or Issues; or if the Exception shall be ' disallowed, the Verdict shall be final and conclusive as herein-' after mentioned; provided always, that it shall be competent • to the Party against whom any Interlocutor shall be pronounced ' on the Matter of the Exception to appeal from such Inter-· locutor to the House of Lords, attaching a Copy of the Ex-· ception to the Petition of Appeal, certified by one of the Clerks ' of Session, so as such Appeal shall be presented to the House of Lords within Fourteen Days after the Interlocutor shall ' have been pronounced, if Parliament shall be then sitting, or ' if Parliament shall not be sitting, then within Eight Days ' after the Commencement of the next Session of Parliament, ⁴ but not afterwards, and so as the Proceedings on such Appeal ' do conform in all respects to the Rules and Regulations ' established respecting Appeals; and every such Appeal shall ⁶ be appointed to be heard on or before the Fourth Cause Day after the Time limited for laying the printed Cases in such ' Appeal upon the Table of the House of Lords; and upon the hearing H 2

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Judgment regarding the further Proceedings, either by direct-

'ing a new Trial to be had, or otherwise, as the Case may ' require: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifty-ninth ' Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Third, ' intituled An Act to amend an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of 59 G. S. c. S5. ' the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled ' An Act to facilitate " the Administration of Justice in that Part of the United Kingdom " called Scotland by extending Trial by Jury to Civil Causes," it • is enacted, that if the Motion for setting aside the Verdict be ⁶ founded on the Misdirection of the Judge at the Trial in Matter of Law, or on the undue Admission or Rejection of · Evidence, it shall be competent to the Party against whom ' Judgment is given by the Jury Court to tender a Bill of • Exceptions to such Judgment in the same Manner as at a Trial, ' and the Proceedings on such Bills of Exceptions shall be conformable in all respects to the Provisions of the Act of the · Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, herein-⁶ before recited, regarding Bills of Exceptions: And whereas • Doubts have arisen whether, according to the Enactments * herein-before recited, the Court of Appeal is not authorized • in Cases coming before it upon Bills of Exceptions to order ' another or new Trial, although such Court of Appeal should be of Opinion that the Exception is not to be allowed; and ' it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, and it is hereby enacted, That henceforth in all Cases in which any Bill of Exceptions is brought before the Court of Session, or carried by Appeal to the House of Lords, it shall not be competent to the Court of Session or to the House of Lords in pronouncing Judgment on such Bill of Exceptions to make any Order or to pronounce any Judgment ordering a new Trial, unless the said Court or House of Lords shall be of Opinion that the Exception is to be allowed; and that in all Cases of Bills of Exceptions in which it shall be the Opinion of the said Court or House of Lords that the Law directed at the Trial, or the Determination to receive or reject Evidence and excepted to, is correct, the said

> Court or House of Lords shall make an Order that the Bill of Exceptions shall be disallowed, and that the Verdict found by the Jury shall be carried into effect by a Judgment pronounced thereon for the Party in whose Favour the said Verdict was found; any thing in the said recited Acts, or in any other Act of

Parliament, to the contrary notwithstanding.

On Bills of Exceptions, the Court of Session or House of Lords not authorized to order a new Trial unless they are of **Opinion** that Exceptions should be allowed.

CAP. XV.

An Act to discharge His Majesty's Manor and Demesne Lands at *Newark* in the County of *Nottingham* from any Costs of rebuilding or repairing Trent and Markham Bridges, and to charge the same on the other Hereditary Revenues of the Crown.

[8th June 1837.]

WHEREAS His Majesty, in right of His Crown, is seised of the Manor and Demesne Lands of Newark in the · County of Nottingham: And whereas it is alleged that the • Owner of the said Manor and Demesne Lands is exclusively, • or in conjunction with the Owner or Owners of other Lands, • or with other Persons, Bodies Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, liable to repair or rebuild a certain Bridge over the River Trent called "Trent Bridge," and a certain Bridge over ' the River Devon called "Markham Bridge," both situate at or near Newark: And whereas certain Parts of the said Demesne Lands and Hereditaments have been lately sold by the Commissioners of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, "Works, and Buildings, under the Authority of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury; and by one of the Con- ditions under which the same Demesne Lands and Hereditaments were sold it was stipulated that the Hereditaments sold should be exonerated from such alleged Liability to repair and ' maintain the said Bridges: And whereas it is expedient that • the said Manor, and all and singular the Demesne Lands and · Possessions now or late of His Majesty at Newark aforesaid, ' or elsewhere within the said Manor, should be discharged ' from all Costs and Expences whatsoever in anywise relating to the Repairs and rebuilding of the said Two Bridges or either • of them :' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Lands within said Manor of Newark and the Demesne Lands thereof, and all Newark dis and singular other the Lands and Possessions now or late of the charged from Crown situate at Newark, or elsewhere within the said Manor, the Repair of. and the Owner and Owners, Occupier and Occupiers thereof, Markham shall henceforth and for ever hereafter be freed and discharged Bridges. from all Liability to make or repair the said Bridges or either of them, or in anywise relating thereto, and of and from all Actions, Suits, and Proceedings whatsoever for or in respect of the same.

II. And be it enacted, That the Question whether the said The Question Manor, Demesne Lands, or other the Possessions aforesaid of bility to repair the Grown, or any Part thereof, or the Owner or Owners, Oc- such Bridges cupier or Occupiers thereof, for the Time being, are or are not mined in an H 3

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exclusively, or in conjunction with any other Lands, or with any Body Corporate, Collegiate, or Ecclesiastical, liable to the Maintenance and Repairs of the said Bridges or either of them, may be determined in an Action at Law at any Assizes holden for the County of Northampton, in a feigned Action or Actions, by any Person or Persons whomsoever, to be for that Purpose commenced in His Majesty's Court of Exchequer at Westminster against the Commissioners of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings; and the Defendants in such Action or Actions shall forthwith name an Attorney or Attornies, who shall file Common Bail, or appear and accept One or more Issue or Issues, whereby the Matters in question may be properly tried and determined, such Issues to be settled by the proper Officer or Officers of the said Court if the Parties shall differ about the same; and if at the Trial of any such Issue or Issues it shall appear that the said Manor, Demesne Lands, and other Possessions, or any Part thereof, or the Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers thereof for the Time being, shall not be exclusively or in conjunction as aforesaid liable to the Repairs or Maintenance of the said Bridges or either of them, the Jury by whom such Issue or Issues shall be tried shall find for the Defendants; but if it shall appear to such Jury that the said Manor, Demesne Lands, or other Possessions, or any of them, or the Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers thereof for the Time being, are exclusively or in conjunction as aforesaid liable to the Maintenance and Repairs of the said Bridges or either of them, then such Jury shall find for the Plaintiff; and such Verdict shall be binding on all Parties whomsoever, unless the said Court of Exchequer shall set aside such Verdict, and order a new Trial to be had thereupon, which it shall be lawful for the Court to do as is usual in like Cases.

Each Party to pay their own Costs in such Suit.

If it should be decided that the Lands are liable to the Repair, the Commissioners of Woods and Forests to pay the Sums of Money required for that Purpose.

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III. And be it enacted, That not any of the Parties to such Suit or to any Proceedings relative thereto shall be liable to the Payment of the Costs of the other Party or Parties thereto, nor shall the Crown or the said Commissioners be in any Event entitled to claim or receive Costs from the other Party or Parties, notwithstanding the Verdict or Verdicts, Judgment or Judgments, may pass or be given against such other Party or Parties in such Suit or Proceedings.

IV. And be it enacted, That if His Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General for the Time being shall, upon a Case or Cases to be submitted to them by or on behalf of the Commissioners for the Time being of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings, be of opinion that the said Manor, Demesne Lands, or other the Possessions aforesaid of the Crown, or the Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers thereof for the Time being, are exclusively or in conjunction as aforesaid liable to the Maintenance and Repairs of the said Bridges or either of them, or on any such Verdict as aforesaid which shall be found for the Plaintiff, and not set aside as aforesaid, the said Commissioners for the Time being

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of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings shall, from the Annual Income of the said Possessions and Land Revenues of the Crown for the Time being, and any Monies which shall come to their Hands as such Commissioners in respect thereof, pay and discharge such Sum or Sums of Money, or such fair and just Proportion thereof in conjunction as aforesaid, as shall from Time to Time be necessary for the Repairs and Maintenance of the said Two Bridges or either of them: Provided nevertheless, that on any such Verdict which shall be found for the Defendants, and not set aside as aforesaid, the Owner or Owners, Occupier or Occupiers of the said Manor and Demesne Lands, shall for ever thereafter be liable to contribute to the Repairs and Maintenance of the said Bridges or either of them, in such and the same Proportions as they would or might have been liable under the existing Laws with respect to County Rates; any thing herein-before contained to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if either of Action not to the Parties in any Action or Actions to be brought in pursu- Cease upon Death or Reance of this Act shall die, or if any of the said Commissioners moval of Parof His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and ties thereto. Buildings shall resign or be removed from being a Commissioner or Commissioners pending such Action or Actions, the same shall not abate by reason thereof, but shall be proceeded in as if no such Event had happened.

CAP. XVI.

An Act for raising the Sum of Eleven Millions by Exchequer Bills for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

[8th June 1837.]

· Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain ' and Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards raising the ' necessary Supplies which we have cheerfully granted to Your ' Majesty in this Session of Parliament, have resolved to give ' and grant unto Your Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned; ' and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it ' may be enacted;' and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of His Majesty's The Treasury Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland may raise at any Time or Times to cause or direct any Number of Ex-H 4 chequer

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Sums paid into the Exchequer pursuant to the several Acts herein mentioned shall be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund.

4 G. 4. c. 71.

the Authority of the same, That all Sums of Money which may have been or shall be paid into the Exchequer after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, in respect of Exchequer Bills issued pursuant to several Acts, passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, and in the Third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, and in the First and Second and Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries in the United Kingdom, and pursuant to an Act passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the Relief of Persons who sustained Losses in the West Indies; and also the additional Sum of Sixty thousand Pounds to be annually paid into the Exchequer by the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies towards the Expence of Retiring Pay, Pensions, and Allowances to His Majesty's Forces serving in India, in pursuance of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for defraying the Charge of Retiring Pay, Pensions, and other Expences of that Nature of His Majesty's Forces serving in India; for establishing the Pensions of the Bishop, Archdeacons, and Judges; for regulating Ordinations; and for establishing a Court of Judicature at Bombay; and also such Sums as may have been or shall be paid into the Exchequer by the Governor and Company of the Bank of England after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, pursuant to an Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled 56 G. 3. c. 97. An Act to authorize the advancing for the Public Service a Proportion of the Balance that shall remain from Time to Time in the Bank of England for the Payment of Dividends on account of the Public Debt, for Lottery Prizes or Benefits not claimed, Principals of Stocks and Annuities remaining unclaimed, shall from and after the passing of this Act, and thereafter as such Payments shall be made, be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; provided that if at any Time the Balance in the Bank of *England* under the said recited Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third shall be reduced to a less Sum than One hundred thousand Pounds, then so much of the Money advanced by the said Governor and Company shall be repaid to them as shall be equal to the Sum by which the said Balance shall be less than the Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds; and the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, or the Comptroller General of His Majesty's Exchequer, is or are hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same out of the growing Produce

duce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland accordingly.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Com- Treasury emmissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of powered to pay them for the Time being, to order and direct the Payment out Bills issued of the said Consolidated Fund of any Exchequer Bills now under the reoutstanding, or which may remain to be issued under the said cited Acts. recited Acts, when the same shall be paid off, in Money, as well as of any Charges and Expences heretofore charged and deducted or paid under the Provisions of any of the said Acts authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills as Loans for carrying on Public Works or Fisheries, and the Relief of Losses in the West Indies, out of any Repayment of any such Loan, or out of any Money in the Exchequer arising therefrom, any thing in any of the said Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

III. And whereas under the Provisions of an Act passed ' in the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of King George the ' Third, intituled An Act for making perpetual, subject to Redemp- 38 G. S. c. 60. ' tion and Purchase in the Manner therein stated, the several Sums ' of Money now charged in Great Britain as a Land Tax for One ' Year, from the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand seven ' hundred and ninety-eight; and of another Act passed in the ' Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, intituled • An Act to enlarge the Time limited for the Redemption of the 39 G. S. c.6. ' Land Tax; and to explain and amend an Act made in the last ' Session of Parliament, intituled ' An Act for making perpetual, ' subject to Redemption and Purchase in the Manner therein stated, ' the several Sums of Money now charged in Great Britain as a . Land Tax for One Year, from the Twenty-fifth Day of March ' One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight ;' and of another Act passed in the Fifty-third Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, intituled An Act to amend and render more 53 G. S. c. 123. ' effectual several Acts passed for the Redemption and Sale of the · Land Tax, the several Capitals of Stock herein-after men-' tioned have been transferred into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in the Books ' of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England on ' account of the Redemption of Land Tax, and the Divi-' dends thereon have from Time to Time ceased to be issued ' from the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, according • to the Directions of the said Acts: And whereas no Pro-' vision has been made by the said Acts for the cancelling ' of the said Capital Stock, notwithstanding the Cessation of ' the Issue of the Dividends thereon, and it is therefore ' expedient to provide for the same;' be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the following Certain Capital Capital Stock, which on the Eleventh Day of March One thou-in the Books of sand eight hundred and thirty-seven was standing in the Names the Bank on of the said Commissioners in the Books of the said Bank on 11th March account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, shall be and the lass to be cancelled; namely, the Sum of Fourteen

and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by

Sums paid into the Exchequer pursuant to the several Acts berein mentioned shall be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund.

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56 G. S. c. 97.

the Authority of the same, That all Sums of Money which may have been or shall be paid into the Exchequer after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, in respect of Exchequer Bills issued pursuant to several Acts, passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, and in the Third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, and in the First and Second and Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries in the United Kingdom, and pursuant to an Act passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, for the Relief of Persons who sustained Losses in the West Indies; and also the additional Sum of Sixty thousand Pounds to be annually paid into the Exchequer by the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies towards the Expence of Retiring Pay, Pensions, and Allowances to His Majesty's Forces serving in India, in pursuance of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for defraying the Charge of Retiring Pay, Pensions, and other Expences of that Nature of His Majesty's Forces serving in India; for establishing the Pensions of the Bishop, Archdeacons, and Judges; for regulating Ordinations; and for establishing a Court of Judicature at Bombay; and also such Sums as may have been or shall be paid into the Exchequer by the Governor and Company of the Bank of England after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, pursuant to an Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act to authorize the advancing for the Public Service a Proportion of the Balance that shall remain from Time to Time in the Bank of England for the Payment of Dividends on account of the Public Debt, for Lottery Prizes or Benefits not claimed, Principals of Stocks and Annuities remaining unclaimed, shall from and after the passing of this Act, and thereafter as such Payments shall be made, be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; provided that if at any Time the Balance in the Bank of England under the said recited Act passed in the Fifty-sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third shall be reduced to a less Sum than One hundred thousand Pounds, then so much of the Money advanced by the said Governor and Company shall be repaid to them as shall be equal to the Sum by which the said Balance shall be less than the Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds; and the Lord High Treasurer, or the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, now or for the Time being, or any Three or more of them; or the Comptroller General of His Majesty's Exchequer, is or are hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same out of the growing Produce



duce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland accordingly.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Com- Treasury emmissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of powered to pay them for the Time being, to order and direct the Payment out Bills issued of the said Consolidated Fund of any Exchequer Bills now under the reoutstanding, or which may remain to be issued under the said cited Acts. recited Acts, when the same shall be paid off, in Money, as well as of any Charges and Expences heretofore charged and deducted or paid under the Provisions of any of the said Acts authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills as Loans for carrying on Public Works or Fisheries, and the Relief of Losses in the West Indies, out of any Repayment of any such Loan, or out of any Money in the Exchequer arising therefrom, any thing in any of the said Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

III. And whereas under the Provisions of an Act passed ' in the Thirty-eighth Year of the Reign of King George the ' Third, intituled An Act for making perpetual, subject to Redemp- 38 G. S. c. 60. ' tion and Purchase in the Manner therein stated, the several Sums ' of Money now charged in Great Britain as a Land Tax for One ' Year, from the Twenty-fifth Day of March One thousand seven ' hundred and ninety-eight; and of another Act passed in the ' Thirty-ninth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, intituled An Act to enlarge the Time limited for the Redemption of the 39 G. S. c. 6. ' Land Tax; and to explain and amend an Act made in the last ' Session of Parliament, intituled ' An Act for making perpetual, ' subject to Redemption and Purchase in the Manner therein stated, ' the several Sums of Money now charged in Great Britain as a . Land Tax for One Year, from the Twenty-fifth Day of March ' One thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight;' and of another Act passed in the Fifty-third Year of the Reign of His ' said Majesty, intituled An Act to amend and render more 53 G. s. c. 123. ' effectual several Acts passed for the Redemption and Sale of the · Land Tax, the several Capitals of Stock herein-after men-' tioned have been transferred into the Names of the Commis-' sioners for the Reduction of the National Debt in the Books ' of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England on ' account of the Redemption of Land Tax, and the Divi-' dends thereon have from Time to Time ceased to be issued ' from the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, according to the Directions of the said Acts: And whereas no Pro-' vision has been made by the said Acts for the cancelling ' of the said Capital Stock, notwithstanding the Cessation of ' the Issue of the Dividends thereon, and it is therefore ' expedient to provide for the same;' be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the following Certain Capital Capital Stock, which on the Eleventh Day of March One thou-in the Books of sand eight hundred and thirty-seven was standing in the Names the Bank on of the said Commissioners in the Books of the said Bank on 11th March account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, shall be and the lass to be same is hereby directed to be cancelled, namely the Sum of cancelled. same is hereby directed to be cancelled; namely, the Sum of Fourteen

Fourteen million three hundred and eighteen thousand eight hundred and fifty-six Pounds Seven Shillings and Nine-pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and the Sum of Eleven million two hundred and seventy-three thousand one hundred and six Pounds Eleven Shillings and Sevenpence Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, standing in the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, pursuant to the said recited Act of the Thirty-ninth Year aforesaid; the Sum of Three hundred and forty-six thousand seven hundred and forty-nine Pounds Two Shillings and Threepence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and the Sum of Three hundred and twenty-nine thousand three hundred and fifty-five Pounds Thirteen Shillings Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, standing in the Names of the said Commissioners on account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, pursuant to the said recited Act of the Fifty-third Year aforesaid, and Schedules (A. 2.) and (B. 2.) of the said Act; the Sum of Two hundred and forty-one thousand and seventy-nine Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Five-pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and the Sum of One hundred and ninety thousand seven hundred and nine Pounds Eight Shillings and Four-pence Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, Part of the Sums standing in the Names of the said Commissioners on account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, pursuant to the said recited Act of the Fifty-third Year aforesaid, and Schedules (C.), (D. 1.), and (D. 2.) of the said Act; and that from and after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight the Sum of Two hundred and twenty-one Pounds Six Shillings and Three-pence Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, and the Sum of Two hundred and forty-eight Pounds Nine Shillings and Sixpence Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, the Residue of the Sums standing in the Names of the said Commissioners on account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, pursuant to the said recited Act of the Fifty-third Year aforesaid, and the Schedules (C.), (D. 1.), and (D. 2.) to the said Act, shall be in like Manner cancelled; and the said Governor and Company are hereby directed to cause the said several Capitals of Stock to be cancelled in their Books accordingly.

Certain other Capital Stock, when the Dividends cease, shall be cancelled. IV. And be it enacted, That whenever any Capital Stock shall in future be transferred into the Names of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt on account of the Redemption of the Land Tax, and the Dividends whereof shall have ceased to be issued from the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer, in pursuance of the Directions of any existing Acts, or of any future Act or Acts which may be passed for the Redemption of the Land Tax, such Capital Stock shall in like Manner be cancelled: Provided always, that the Accountant General of the said Governor and Company shall from Time to Time certify to the said Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, 1837.

sury, and to the said Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, the Amount and Description of the Capital Stock so cancelled.

V. And whereas the Monies arising from the Sale and Appropriation Redemption of the Land Tax, where the Consideration for Monies arising ' the same is paid in Money, under the Provisions of the said from the Re ' recited Acts, have from Time to Time been paid by the demption of the ' Receivers General or other Receivers thereof into the Bank ' of England, and such Monies, or so much thereof as was ' necessary for the Purpose, have been applied in the Purchase ' of Capital Stock for the Completion of the Contracts of Sale ' and Redemption of Land Tax, or in replacing Sums of ' Money from Time to Time advanced for that Purpose in ' pursuance of the Provisions of the said recited Acts: And whereas the Monies arising as aforesaid have proved more ' than sufficient for the Purchase of such Capital Stock, and ' for the replacing of the Monies advanced as aforesaid, and ' the Surplus thereof is now in the said Bank of England ' unappropriated, and standing to the Credit of the Commis-' sioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, or of the ' said last-mentioned Commissioners, and sundry Receivers ' General; and it is expedient to appropriate such Surplus, and ' any other Surplus that may from Time to Time hereafter ' arise, in like Manner in the Purchase of Capital Stock, to be ' transferred into the Names of the Commissioners for the ' Reduction of the National Debt, and to be cancelled in the ' Manner directed by this Act: And whereas under the Provi-' sions of the said recited Acts for the Sale and Redemption ' of Land Tax the Parties entering into Contracts are entitled ' in certain Cases to a Re-transfer of the Stock or a Part ' thereof, or a Return of the Money or a Part thereof, so • transferred or paid by them, together with certain Dividends ' payable thereon ;' be it therefore enacted, That the Commissigners for the Reduction of the National Debt shall from Time to Time invest in the Purchase of Capital Stock, of Consolidated Three Pounds per Centum Annuities or Reduced Three Pounds per Centum Annuities, so much of the Monies now or at any Time hereafter standing in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England arising from the Sale and Redemption of the Land Tax as the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes shall from Time to Time certify to them to be proper so to be invested; and all such Capital Stock so to be purchased shall be transferred into the Names of the said Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, into a new Account to be created for that Purpose in the Books of the said Governor and Company, to be called "The Accumulation Account on account of the Redemption of Land Tax," and shall be cancelled as herein-before directed; and the Remainder of such Surplus shall remain liable to the Payment of so much Money as the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes shall from Time to Time certify to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt any Party to be entitled to receive as an Equivalent for

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for any Stock, Money, and Dividends which under the Provisions of any or either of the said last-recited Acts such Party is or may be entitled to; and the said Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes are hereby authorized and empowered to direct the said Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to pay such Money accordingly.

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CAP. XVIII.

An Act for continuing until the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, and to the End of the then Session of Parliament, the several Acts for regulating the Turnpike Roads in Great Britain which will expire with the present or with the next Session of Parliament. [30th June 1837.] WHEREAS it is expedient that the several Acts for regulating Turnpike Roads in Great Britain, hereinafter particularly referred to, should be continued for a limited ' Time:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Turnpike Acts and every Acts and Act for making, amending, or repairing near expiring any Turnpike Road or Roads in Great Britain, which will ex- continued for a pire at the End of the present Session of Parliament, and all further Term. and every Acts and Act of Parliament for making, amending, or repairing any Turnpike Road or Roads in Great Britain which will expire on the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, or if Parliament shall then be sitting, at the End of the then Session of Parliament, shall be and the same are and is hereby continued until the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine, or if Parliament shall then be sitting, until the End of the then Session of Parliament.

CAP. XIX.

An Act to empower the Recorder or other Person presiding in Quarter Sessions in Corporate Cities and Towns, and Justices of the Peace for Counties, Ridings, or Divisions, to divide their respective Courts in certain Cases. [30th June 1837.] WHEREAS in large Corporate Cities and Towns the Quarter Sessions of the Peace may sometimes last ' beyond Three Days, and where such is the Case considerable 'Inconvenience and increased Expence will result from the ⁴ Detention of Jurors and Witnesses and the unavoidable Atten-' dance of a large Portion of the Municipal Police: And [No. 9. Price 2d.] Ι ' whereas

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Power to the Recorder or other Person presiding to form a Second Court and appoint a Barrister to preside therein.

Clerk of the Peace in such Cases to appoint an Amistant.

Recorder may direct such Court to be adjourned.

Proceedings preliminary to the Exercise of the Powers hereby given.

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' whereas for the remedying thereof it is expedient that a simi-· lar Power of forming a Second Court to that which is vested ' in the Justices at the General Quarter Sessions for Counties, ' by virtue of an Act passed in the Fifty-ninth Year of His 59 G. s. c. 28. I late Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act to ' empower Magistrates to divide the Court of Quarter Sessions, ' should be given to the Recorder or other Person presiding ' in the Court of Quarter Sessions of Corporate Cities or ' Towns:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That whenever it shall appear to such Recorder or other Person presiding as aforesaid that the said Quarter Sessions are likely to last more than Three Days, including the Day of assembling, it shall and may be lawful for such Recorder or other Person so presiding, at his Discretion, but subject to the Provisions hereinafter contained, to order a Second Court to be formed, and to appoint by Writing under his Hand and Seal a Barrister at Law, of not less than Five Years standing, to preside, and try such Felonies and Misdemeanors as shall be referred to him therein, whilst the said Recorder or other Person is sitting in such Quarter Sessions; and for the effectual Execution of the Powers of this Act, such Recorder or other Person so presiding shall be empowered in such Case to call upon the Clerk of the Peace, and such Clerk of the Peace is in such Case hereby authorized and required to appoint an Assistant, and such Recorder or other Person shall himself appoint an additional Crier for such Second Court; and such Barrister shall be styled "Assistant Barrister," and shall exercise, for the Time being, whilst the said Recorder or other Person is so sitting as aforesaid, the same Powers as are exercised by the said Recorder or other Person presiding as aforesaid, and subject to the same Rules and Regulations; and the Proceedings so had by and before such Assistant Barrister shall be as good and effectual in the Case to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were had before the said Recorder or other Person so presiding as aforesaid, and shall be enrolled and recorded accordingly: Provided always, that if at any Time during the Sitting of such Second Court the Recorder or other Person shall be of opinion that it is no longer required, he may direct the Assistant Barrister, at a proper Opportunity, to adjourn the same: Provided also, that no such Recorder or other Person so presiding as aforesaid shall at any Time exercise the Powers and Discretion given by this Act, unless it shall have been theretofore and before each such Quarter Sessions certified to him under the Hand or Hands of the Mayor or of Two of the Aldermen of such Corporate City or Town, that the Council of such Corporate City or Town have resolved that it will be expedient and for the Benefit of the Inhabitants thereof that the same should be exercised, nor unless the Name of the Barrister proposed to be appointed, in case such Recorder or other Person shall in the Exercise of such

such Discretion deem such Appointment necessary, shall have at some previous Time been transmitted to and approved of by One of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State as a fit and proper Person to be from Time to Time so appointed.

II. And be it further enacted, That such Assistant Barrister Remuneration shall be entitled to a Remuneration of Ten Guineas per Diem to Officers of for each Day that he shall so preside as aforesaid; and such and Second Court. Assistant Clerk of the Peace shall be entitled to a Remuneration of Two Guineas per Diem; and such additional Crier shall be entitled to a Remuneration of Half-a-Guinea per Diem, for such Time as they shall execute their respective Offices in such Second Court; and such Remuneration shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Borough out of the Borough Fund; and the Recorder or other Person presiding shall grant a Certificate to such Assistant Barrister, such Assistant Clerk of the Peace, and such additional Crier respectively, stating the Number of Days that each shall have executed his several Office, and the Amount that he is entitled to claim; and such Certificate shall be a sufficient Authority to the Treasurer of the Borough to pay the same, and shall be retained by him as a Voucher for such Payment: Provided always, that such Assistant Barrister, Assistant Clerk of the Peace, or additional Crier, shall not in any Case be entitled to claim Remuneration for more than Two Days.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Appointments and Appointments Certificates authorized and directed by this Act shall not be not subject to Duty. subject to any Stamp Duty or other Tax whatsoever.

IV. And whereas Doubts have arisen whether it is lawful Two or more for the Justices assembled at any adjourned Quarter Sessions Justices at ad-journed Quarter for the Peace held for any County, Riding, or Division to carry Sessions may sit ' into effect the Provisions of the Act passed in the Fifty- spart for De ' ninth Year of His late Majesty King George the Third as patch of Busi-' aforesaid;' be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for the Justices assembled at any adjourned Quarter Sessions of the Peace for any County, Riding, or Division, on the first Day that they shall assemble, should the State of the Business be such at such adjourned Quarter Sessions as is likely to occupy more than Three Days, including the Day of their being so assembled, to appoint Two or more Justices to sit apart from themselves in some Place in or near the Court, there to hear and determine such Business as shall be referred to them whilst others of the Justices are at the same Time proceeding in the Despatch of the other Business of the same Court; and the Proceedings so had by and before such Two or more Justices so sitting apart shall be as good and effectual in the Law to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were had before the Court assembled and sitting as usual in its ordinary Place of sitting, and shall be enrolled and recorded accordingly.

V. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended, Act may be altered, or repealed by any other Act to be passed in this present altered this Session.

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CAP. XX.

An Act for transferring and vesting the Royal Military Canal, Roads, Towing Paths, and the Ramparts and other Works belonging thereto, and all Estates and Property taken and occupied for the same, in the Counties of Kent and Sussex, and also the Rates and Tolls arising therefrom, in the principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance. [30th June 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the • Third, intituled An Act for maintaining and preserving a " Military Canal and Road made from Shorncliff in the County ' of Kent to Cliff End in the County of Sussex, and for regulating ' the taking of Rates and Tolls thereon, whereby it was among ' other things enacted, that the Speaker of the House of Com-' mons, the Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain, the First Commissioner of the Treasury, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, the Com-6 mander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces, the Lord Warden 6 of the Cinque Ports, the Secretary at War, the Master General 6 of the Ordnance, and the Quartermaster General of His Majesty's Forces, for the Time being respectively, should be Commissioners for carrying on, completing, maintaining, regulating, 6 and managing the said Military Canal and Road, and Cuts and other Works thereof or belonging thereto, and then made 6 or which might thereafter be made: And whereas divers Messuages, Houses, Buildings, Lands, Tenements, and other ' Hereditaments were and have been purchased and taken for • the Purposes of the said Canal and Military Road and other "Works belonging thereto, and the same were by the said Act ' vested in the said Commissioners, for and on behalf of His ' Majesty, His Heirs and Successors: And whereas another Act ' was passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of 122G.4. c. 69. ' His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act ' for vesting all Estates and Property occupied for the Ordnance ' Service in the principal Officers of the Ordnance, and for granting ' certain Powers to the said principal Officers: And whereas ' another Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of ' His present Majesty, intituled An Act to extend and render ' more effectual Two Acts of the First and Second and Third · Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, ' respecting the Estates and Property thereby vested in the principal ' Officers of the Ordnance, and to facilitate the public Business in ' the Ordnance Department : And whereas it hath been deemed · expedient to place the Management and Control of the said ' Canal, Military Road, and other Works belonging thereto ' under Charge of the Master General and the principal Officers ' of the Ordnance; and it is therefore necessary that the same, ' and all the Estates and Property belonging thereto, should " be vested in the said principal Officers for the Time being: Re

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47 G. S. c. 70.

2 W. 4. c. 25.

1837. Military Canal.—Public Works (Ireland). Cap. 20, 21.

Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That immediately from and The Roya. after the passing of this Act all and singular the said Military Military Canal, Canal, Military Road and Towing Paths Cuts and other Works are to be vested Canal, Military Road, and Towing Paths, Cuts, and other Works in the principal thereof or belonging thereto, and all Messuages, Houses, Build- Officers of the ings, Lands, Tenements, and other Hereditaments purchased Ordnance, for the public the p and taken for the Purposes thereof by virtue of the said Act service. of the Forty-seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, and also all the Rates and Tolls thereby authorized and allowed to be established, fixed, demanded, collected, taken, and recovered at or upon or for or in respect of the said Canal, Road, Towing Path, and other Works, and also all the Rights, Capacities, Powers, Authorities, and Duties granted to and vested in the said Commissioners by virtue of the said last-mentioned Act, shall be and the same are hereby respectively declared to be transferred to and vested in the principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance for the Time being, to be held, enjoyed, and executed by them and their Successors in Office, in Trust for His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, for the public Service; and all the Powers, Authorities, Clauses, Matters, and Things in the said last-mentioned Act contained shall extend and be applied to the said principal Officers in as full and ample a Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if they had been named therein instead of the said Commissioners.

II. And be it enacted, That all the Powers, Authorities, Pro- Powers of revisions, Regulations, Clauses, Matters, and Things in the said cited Acts Two several Acts of the First and Second Years of the Reign and 2W.4. c. 25. of His late Majesty King George the Fourth and the Second to extend to Year of the Reign of His present Majesty respectively contained, this Act. in relation to the Estates and Property thereby or by either of them vested in the principal Officers of His Majesty's Ordnance, shall, so far as the same are or may be applicable thereto and are not inconsistent therewith, extend and be construed to extend to the said Canal, Roads, Paths, and Works, and other the Lands, Hereditaments, and Premises, Rates and Tolls, vested in the said principal Officers by this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if such Powers, Authorities, Provisions, Regulations, Clauses, Matters, and Things were respectively, severally, and separately repeated and re-enacted in and made Part of this Act.

CAP. XXI.

An Act to amend the Acts for the Extension and Pro- 2 Hile 50 motion of Public Works in Ireland.

[30th June 1837.]

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WHEREAS by an Act passed in the First and Second

Years of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act 182W.4.c. 33.

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· Provisions whereof were amended and extended by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, the Commissioners ' acting under and in execution thereof were authorized to ' make Advances by way of Loan, to a certain Amount in the said Acts limited, in aid of the Execution of Public Works in " Ireland, and were also authorized to make Advances for the · like Purpose by way of Grant in aid of the Construction of certain Works to an Amount not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds: And whereas it is expedient, with a view to the further Promotion of Public Works in · Ireland, and the Employment of the labouring Population, ' that the said Commissioners should be enabled to make Ad-' vances to an additional Amount by way of Grant, and that · Provision should be made for making Advances for the Exe- cution of Public Works under certain Circumstances partly • by way of Loan and partly by way of Grant; that is to say, by ⁶ Loan to the Extent of one Moiety of such Advances, and by Grant to the Extent of the other Moiety thereof? Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners, under the like Conditions and Regulations, and for the Purposes of the said Acts and this Act, to make additional Advances by way of Grant to an Amount not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, and for the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, to cause to be issued from Time to Time as they may find necessary, out of the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland arising in Ireland, in addition to the said Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, to which the Issues for the Purposes of the Grants to be made under the said Acts were thereby limited, any further Sum or Sums of Money not exoseding in the whole the said Sum of Fifty thousand Pounds, to be applied to the Purposes of the said Acts and this Act accordingly.

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II. And be it enacted, That all and every the Provisoes, former Actualial Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained or expressed in the said recited Acts, in respect of the Grants authorized to be made thereunder, shall be applied and extend to the Grants to be made under Authority of this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the same were herein repeated and enacted.

III. And be it enacted, That if any Three or more Justices the Execution of the Peace, not being stipendiary Magistrates, in and for any of Public Works County, County of a City, or County of a Town in Ireland, partly by way of shall think it expedient to make Application for the Construc-Lom and partly tion of any Public Work, on the Terms and under the Regulations herein-after contained for the Repayment of a Moiety of the Expence of executing such Work, it shall and may be lawful for them, by Notice under their Hands, to be posted on the Places

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Places appointed for posting Notices of Applications to Presentment Sessions in the Barony or Half Barony or Place in which such Work is proposed to be executed, to convene a Special Meeting of the Justices and Cess Payers associated with such Justices at the last Special or Presentment Sessions held in such Barony or Half Barony or Place for the Purposes of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An 6&7W.4.c.116. Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in Ireland; and such Meeting shall be held at the Place appointed for the holding of such Special or Presentment Sessions at such Time as shall be specified in such Notice, not being sooner than Seven Days from the Time of posting such Notice; and the senior Justice present at such Meeting shall preside thereat, and shall have in addition to his Vote a casting Voice in case of an Equality of Voices; and if a Majority of such Justices and Cess Payers assembled at such Special Sessions shall so think fit, the Chairman shall apply by Memorial to the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland, on behalf of the Justices and Cess Payers assembled at such Sessions, praying that the Work described in such Memorial may be executed, and that a Sum not exceeding the Amount in such Memorial mentioned may be advanced for that Purpose; a Moiety thereof to be repaid by Grand Jury Presentment, as herein-after mentioned.

IV. And be it enacted, That upon any such Application by Lord Lieute-Memorial as aforesaid it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieu- nant may refer tenant or other Chief Governor or Governors, if he or they such Applies-tions to the shall so think fit, to authorize and direct the said Commissioners Board of Public acting under and in execution of the said Acts to inquire into Works for their the Nature of the said proposed Work, and the Utility thereof, Report, and such Report and the Benefit which may arise therefrom in affording present may be laid Employment for the labouring Population, and the permanent before the Lords Demand for Labour likely to grow thereout, and the Sum of the Treasury, necessary for the Execution thereof; and it shall be lawful for Authority to the said Commissioners, if they shall be so directed or think direct the Exenecessary, to appoint and employ the County Surveyor, or any cution of the Works so apother competent Surveyor or Surveyors, to make a Survey and plied for. Estimate of the said proposed Work, and to prepare such Map, Plan, Section, or Specification thereof as may be necessary, and to report thereon to the said Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors, who shall take the same into his or their Consideration, and, if he or they shall so think fit, transmit the same to the Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for their Sanction and Approval; and if the said Commissioners of the Treasury shall think fit to authorize the Work specified in the said Application, or any Modification thereof which they may think proper, to be undertaken, they shall, by Warrant under their Hands, or under the Hands of any Three or more of them, direct the said Commissioners acting under and in execution of the said Acts to execute such Work at and for an Amount not exceeding a Sum to be specified in such Warrant, not exceeding the Sum mentioned in the said Application for

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the Execution of such Work, and shall also in and by such Warrant specify when and how the Moiety of the Money to be expended in the Execution of such Work shall be repaid, and if by Instalments the Periods and Amount thereof, and the Rate of Interest (if any) to be paid on the Amount from Time to Time remaining due: Provided always, that it shall and may be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, or any Three or more of them, by any like Warrant or Warrants from Time to Time to make void such Directions, and to give other Directions as they may think fit in respect of the Repayment of the said Moiety, or the Rate of Interest chargeable thereon, or any Part thereof at any Time remaining unpaid.

V. And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners acting under and in execution of the said Acts shall upon the Receipt of such Warrant forthwith cause the Construction of the Work mentioned therein to be proceeded with, and shall for such Purpose have and use all such Powers and Authorities as they are by the said Acts invested with for the Construction of any Road, Bridge, or other Work for the Construction whereof a Grant shall have been sanctioned by the said Commissioners of the Treasury.

VI. And be it enacted, That one Moiety of the Monies required for the Execution of Works undertaken upon such Applications as herein-before mentioned shall be advanced out of the Produce of the said Consolidated Fund arising in Ireland; and the said Commissioners of the Treasury shall cause the same to be issued thereout accordingly from Time to Time as they shall think fit, upon the Application of the said Commissioners acting under and in execution of the said Acts; and the Monies so to be from Time to Time issued for the Purpose last aforesaid shall be accounted to be Part of the Money by the said Acts and this Act authorized to be issued by way of Grant.

VII. And be it enacted, That the other Moiety of the Monies required for the Execution of the said Works shall be supplied by the Issue of Exchequer Bills in like Manner as in the Case of Advances by way of Loan under the said recited Acts: Provided always, that the Amount of the Exchequer Bills so issued shall be deemed and accounted to be a Part of the Sum to which the Issue of Exchequer Bills for the Purposes of the said Acts is thereby limited.

VIII. And be it enacted, That a Moiety of the Monies so from Time to Time advanced for the Execution of Public Works in any County, pursuant to the Application of the Justices and Cess Payers assembled at Special Sessions as aforesaid, shall be repaid by Grand Jury Presentment at such Time and in such Manner, and with such Interest, as the said Commissioners of the Treasury shall appoint and direct; and the said Commiscuted, or off the sioners acting under and in execution of the said Acts shall from Time to Time, as they may be directed by the said Commissioners of the Treasury, certify to the Secretary of the Grand Jury of each such County the Money so to be repaid; and each such Secretary shall lay such Certificate before the Grand

The Board of Works shall proceed with such Works, if sanctioned by the Treasury.

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The other Moiety shall be supplied out of the Loan Funds by way of Exchequer Bills.

A Moiety of the Money so ad-vanced shall be raised by Grand Jury Presentment off the Barony in which the Work may have been exe-County at large, as the Grand Jury shall de-termine.

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Grand Jury of such County at the next Assizes after he shall receive the same; and it shall be lawful for such Grand Jury and they are hereby required to present the Sum mentioned in every such Certificate to be raised either off the County at large or off the Barony or Half Barony or other Division in which the Work to which such Certificate may relate shall have been executed, as they may think fit; and the Treasurer of such County shall pay the Sum so presented, when and as by him received, to such Bank or Person as the said Commissioners of the Treasury shall direct, to be by them carried to the same Account as other Monies received in payment of Loans under the said Acts: Provided always, that if the Grand If Grand Jury Jury of any County shall fail to present the Sum mentioned in the Monsy shall any such Certificate, the Treasurer of such County shall and he be raised, withis hereby required to insert such Sum in his Warrant for raising out any Presentthe Monies presented at the same Assizes, as if such Sum had ment, off the County at large. been presented by such Grand Jury to be raised off the County at large, and the same shall be raised and levied off such County accordingly, as if the same had been so presented; and the said Treasurer shall pay over the Amount, when by him received, as herein-before provided in the Case of such Money being presented.

IX. And whereas it has been found that certain Exchequer Treasury may Bills which by an Act of the last Session of Parliament were Exchaguer Bills ' made applicable to the Purposes of the said recited Acts, and now in existent ' now in the Custody of the Teller of His Majesty's Exchequer and applicable ' in Ireland, are of an inconvenient Date and Amount;' be it to the Purpose therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said and cause others Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury to cause any Ex- to be made out chequer Bills heretofore made out and applicable to the Pur- in lieu thereof. poses of the said recited Acts to be cancelled, and in lieu of the Exchequer Bills so cancelled to cause other Exchequer Bills to be made out for such Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Amount of the Exchequer Bills so cancelled as the said Commissioners of the Treasury shall think fit; and such Exchequer Bills shall be made out according to the Provisions contained in the said first-recited Act in respect of the Exchequer Bills thereby authorized to be made out; and all Exchequer Bills from Time to Time made out under the Authority of the said Acts and of this Act shall be delivered to such Officer as shall be nominated and appointed by the said Commissioners of the Treasury to receive and transmit the said Bills to Dublin, to be there applied for the Purposes of the said Acts.

X. And whereas an Act was passed in the First Year of the Application of · Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to revive, con- Monies arising * tinue, and amend several Acts relating to the Fisheries: And under 1 W.4. whereas the Powers heretofore vested in the Commissioners of ' the Irish Fisheries are now vested in the Commissioners for executing the said first-recited Act for the Extension and Pro-6 motion of Public Works in Ireland, and it is expedient that any Money which may have been received by the Commissioners of the Irish Fisheries or by the Commissioners of Public Works

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⁶ Works in *Ireland* by virtue of the said recited Act should be ⁶ applied to any of the Purposes of the said several Acts;' be it therefore enacted, That any Monies now in the Hands of the Commissioners of Public Works in *Ireland* which may have arisen under or by virtue of the said last-recited Act relating to the Fisheries shall be applied in defraying the Expences of executing the said Act, and otherwise in carrying the same and the several Purposes of the said several Acts and of the Acts therein recited into execution, in such Manner as the said Commissioners of the Treasury may from Time to Time direct.

XI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or re-

pealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this present Session

CAP. XXII. An Act to explain and amend Two Acts passed in the last Session of Parliament, for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, in England.

This Act may be altered this Session.

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Meaning of the Words Notice to the Registrar and Registrar's Certificate.

Certificate of Baptismal Name to be made by Registrar or Superintendent Registrar, as the Case may be.

[30th June 1837.] WHEREAS by an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for Marriages in England, and 6 by another Act, intituled An Act for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England, sundry Provisions were made for • the Duties of Superintendent Registrars and also of Regis-' trars and Deputy Registrars of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, ' which several Provisions require to be further explained and • amended : And whereas the recited Acts require Amendment ' in other respects:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That where in the said Act for Marriages in England Provision is made for giving Notice of Marriage to any Registrar, and where in the last-recited Act, or any Schedule thereunto annexed, Mention is made of any such Notice, or of the Registrar's Certificate of any such Notice, the same shall be construed respectively to mean the Notice to be given to the Superintendent Registrar, and the Certificate thereof to be issued by the Superintendent Registrar, according to the Provisions

for that Purpose contained in the last-recited Act. IL 'And whereas by the said Act for registering Births, ' Deaths, and Marriages it is provided, that in the Case of any ' Child to which any Name shall be given in Baptism after its ' Birth shall have been registered under the Provisions of the ' said Act, a Certificate shall be delivered in manner provided ' by the said Act, signed by the Minister who shall have per-' formed the Rite of Baptism, and that the Registrar shall ' certify upon the said Certificate the additional Entry in the ' Register Book thereupon required by the said Act to be made, ' and shall forthwith send the said Certificate through the Post ' Office to the Registrar General;' be it enacted, That the Certificate

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ficate that such additional Entry has been made shall be made and sent as aforesaid by the Registrar or Superintendent Registrar, as the Case may be, to whom the Minister's Certificate shall have been delivered according to the Provisions of the said Act.

III. And be it enacted, That every Superintendent Registrar Superintendent who shall knowingly and wilfully issue any Licence for Marriage Registrars upafter the Expiration of Three Calendar Months after the Notice Licences of shall have been entered by the Superintendent Registrar, as solemnizing provided by the said Act for Marriages, or who shall knowingly Marriage and wilfully solemnize or permit to be solemnized in his Office guilty of Felony. any Marriage in the last-recited Act declared to be null and void, shall be guilty of Felony.

IV. And whereas in that Part of the said Act for registering Whereunto Committals ⁶ Births, Deaths, and Marriages in *England* which provides for shall be. ' the Recovery of Penalties the Word "Offender" has been ' once inserted by Mistake instead of the Word "Offence";' be it enacted, That in all Cases in which any Justices are by the last-recited Act authorized to imprison any Offender against the last-recited Act, the Place of Imprisonment shall be the Common Gaol or House of Correction for the County, City, or Place where the Offence shall be committed.

V. And be it enacted, That for the Purpose of enabling any Registrar Person to recover Costs and Damages in any Action, as pro- General's Cervided by the said Act for Marriages, from any Person who shall tificate of frivelous Caveat have entered a Caveat on frivolous Grounds with the Superin- to be Evidence. tendent Registrar, a Copy of the Declaration of the Registrar General purporting to be sealed with the Seal of the General Register Office shall be Evidence that the Registrar General has declared such Caveat to have been entered on frivolous Grounds, and that they ought not to obstruct the Grant of the Licence or Issue of the Certificate, as the Case may be; and such Declaration shall have the Effect of the Declaration required in such Case by the said Act for Marriages.

VL 'And whereas it hath been doubted, under the Provisions Commence-' of the said Act for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages ment of Marine ' in England, when the Registration of the Births and Deaths of ' Persons born and dying at Sea ought to begin;' be it enacted, That the Marine Register Books shall begin with the Birth and Death respectively which shall happen of Persons born or dying at Sea after the last Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and of which a Certificate shall be first sent to the Registrar General according to the Provisions of the last-recited Act, and shall not contain any Registry of the Birth or Death of any Person born or dying at Sea before the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Registrar General may Privilege of receive and send by the General Post from and to all Ports and Franking ex-Places in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland all united King-Letters and Packets relating exclusively to the Execution of dom. the said Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths,

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and Marriages, or of this Act, free from the Duty of Postage, subject to the Provisions and Conditions of the said Act for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, with respect to Letters and Packets so received or sent by him from and to Places in *England*.

VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Registrar General, if he shall think fit, to direct that the Place of Birth or Death of any Person whose Birth or Death shall be registered under the said Act for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, shall be added to the Entry in such Manner as the Registrar General shall direct; and such Addition, when so made, shall be taken to all Intents to be Part of the Entry in the Register.

IX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Registrar General, with the Consent of the Poor Law Commissioners, to direct that any Place lying wholly within but not being Part of any Union, Parish, or Place for which a Board of Guardians shall have been established under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fourth and Fifth Years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for the Amendment and better Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, shall be Part of any One or more Registrars Districts within such Union, Parish, or Place, and within the Superintendence of the Superintendent Registrar thereof, or if not lying wholly within any One such Union, Parish, or Place as last aforesaid, then to be for those Purposes annexed to such Union, Parish, or Place as last aforesaid, as the Registrar General, with the Consent of the Poor Law Commissioners, shall direct.

X. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Registrar General, if he shall see fit, with the Approval of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to unite any Two or more Unions, Parishes, or Places for which a Board of Guardians shall have been established under the Act last aforesaid, or any Two or more Superintendent Registrars Districts, into One Superintendent Registrar's District; and in every such Case of Union the Registrar General shall declare by which Board of Guardians the Superintendent Registrar shall thenceforward be appointed; and the Superintendent Registrar of the Union, Parish, or Place for which such Board is established shall from the Time of such Union be the sole Superintendent Registrar of such united District; and every Provision of the said Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, relating to Superintendent Registrars, and to the Districts under their Superintendence, and to Boards of Guardians within such Districts, shall apply to every such Superintendent Registrar, and to every such District, and to the Board of Guardians so selected and declared; and all Register Boxes, Keys, Books, Documents, and Papers in the Possession of any Superintendent Registrar who shall cease to be such under the Provisions of this Act shall be delivered to the Superintendent Registrar of the united District, and may be recovered

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recovered in the Manner provided by the last-recited Acts, and shall be removed from the Office of the Person ceasing to be Superintendent Registrar to the Office of the Superintendent Registrar of the united District; and the Office of every Superintendent Registrar ceasing to be such under the Provisions of this Act shall from the Time of such Union as last aforesaid cease to be a Register Office within the Meaning of the said last-recited Acts, and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three of them, to cause to be repaid out of the Consolidated Fund such Sum as the Board of Guardians shall have legally paid or for which they may have lawfully become liable as such Guardians, for the sole Purpose of providing a Register Office; and in every Case in which such Union as last aforesaid shall be intended to take place the Registrar General shall give public Notice thereof, and of the Time when the same shall take effect, by Advertisement in the London Gazette, and in some Newspaper cirenlating within the County; and every such Union shall take effect from the Day named in such Advertisement in the London Gazette.

XI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Re- Registrat gistrar General, if he shall see fit, with the Approval of One of General may Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, to divide any or Districts. Union, Parish, or Place, or any Superintendent Registrar's District, into Two or more Superintendent Registrars Districts, and Notice of every such Division shall be published in the London Gazette; and in every such Case the Guardians shall appoint a sufficient Number of Persons with such Qualifications as the Registrar General may by any general Rule declare to be necessary, to be Superintendent Registrars of the new Districts, and shall also appoint the District for which the Clerk to the Guardians or other Person who may have been theretofore appointed as Superintendent Registrar of the whole Union, Parish, or Place, shall continue to be Superintendent Registrar; and every Provision of the said recited Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, relating to Superintendent Registrars, and the Districts under their Superintendence, shall apply to every Superintendent Registrar so appointed, and to the District for which he shall be so appointed.

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VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Registrar General, if he shall think fit, to direct that the Place of Birth or Death of any Person whose Birth or Death shall be registered under the said Act for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, shall be added to the Entry in such Manner as the Registrar General shall direct; and such Addition, when so made, shall be taken to all Intents to be Part of the Entry in the Register.

IX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Registrar General, with the Consent of the Poor Law Commissioners, to direct that any Place lying wholly within but not being Part of any Union, Parish, or Place for which a Board of Guardians shall have been established under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fourth and Fifth Years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for the Amendment and better Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales, shall be Part of any One or more Registrars Districts within such Union, Parish, or Place, and within the Superintendence of the Superintendent Registrar thereof, or if not lying wholly within any One such Union, Parish, or Place as last aforesaid, then to be for those Purposes annexed to such Union, Parish, or Place as last aforesaid, as the Registrar General, with the Consent of the Poor Law Commissioners, shall direct.

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XXL And be it enacted, That until a Register Office shall be provided in any Superintendent Registrar's District the Superintendent Registrar shall appropriate some fit Room or Rooms, to be approved by the Registrar General, as the Superintendent Registrar's Office of that District.

XXII. And be it enacted, That the Registrar General shall be authorized to fix from Time to Time the Number of Registrars of Marriage to be appointed by any Superintendent Registrar; and no Superintendent Registrar shall have Power to appoint more than the Number so fixed for him to appoint. '

XXIII. And be it enacted, That the Registrar General, under the Direction of One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, shall take Order that the solemn Declaration and Form of Words provided to be used in the Case of Marriages under the said Act for Marriages be truly and exactly translated into the Welsh Tongue, and shall cause the same so translated to be furnished to every Registrar of Marriages throughout Wales, and in all Places where the Welsh Tongue is commonly used; and it shall be lawful to use the Declaration and Form of Words so translated, and published by Authority, in all Places where the Welsh Tongue is commonly used or preferred, in such Manner and Form and to the same Intents and Purposes as by the said Act is prescribed in the English Tongue.

XXIV. 'And whereas by the said Act for Marriages in 6 England Provision is made for the Transmission of Notices of ' Marriage to the Clerk to the Guardians of the Poor Law ' Union, or of the Parish or Place comprising the District of a ' Superintendent Registrar, and for the reading of the same at certain Meetings of such Guardians: And whereas it may happen in certain Superintendent Registrars Districts that ' there may be no such Guardians;' be it therefore enacted, That in every such Case, but only until the Election of such Board of Guardians and of a Clerk to their Board, every Notice of Marriage given according to the Provisions of the said Act for Marriages, or a true and exact Copy thereof, under the Hand of the Superintendent Registrar, shall be suspended in some conspicuous Place in the Office of the Superintendent Registrar during Seven successive Days, if the Marriage is to be solemnized by Licence, or Twenty-one successive Days if the Marriage is to be solemnized without Licence, before any Marriage shall be solemnized in pursuance of such Notice; and the Particulars of every such Notice shall be sent by the Superintendent Registrar to every Registrar of Marriages within his District, and shall be open to the Inspection of every one who shall apply at reasonable Times to such Registrar to inspect the same.

XXV. 'And whereas by the said Act for registering Births, 'Deaths, and Marriages it is provided that the Cost of all 'Marriage Register Books and Forms for certified Copies 'thereof, furnished to the Rector, Vicar, or Curate of every 'Church and Chapel in *England* wherein Matriages may law-'fully be solemnized, shall be paid by the Churchwardens and 'Overseers

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• Overseers of the Parish or Chapelry out of the Monies in ^c their Hands as such Churchwardens or Overseers, and that the Cost of Register Books of Births, and of Register Books of • Deaths and of Forms for certified Copies thereof, shall be paid • by the Guardians or by the Churchwardens and Overseers (as " the Case may be) out of the Monies coming to their Hands · or: Control as such Guardians or Churchwardens and Over-' seers;' be it enacted, for removing Doubt as to the Fund chargeable therewith, That the Cost of all such Books and Forms shall be borne by the Union, Parish, or Place in and for which the Superintendent Registrar is appointed who superintends the Registrar for whose Use such Books were provided, or to whom such Rector, Vicar, or Curate is by the said Act directed to deliver One Copy of such Register; and such Cost shall be paid to the said Superintendent Registrar by the Guardians, or by the Churchwardens and Overseers, as the Case shall be, out of the Monies coming into their Hands as such Guardians or such Churchwardens and Overseers for the Relief of the Poor.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That the certified Copies of the Certified Copies Entries of Births, Deaths, and Marriages required by the said Books to be Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and made up Marriages, or by an Act passed in this Session of Parliament, quarterly. intituled An Act to suspend for a limited Time the Operation of Two 7 W. 4. c. 1. Acts passed in the last Session of Parliament, for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages in England, and for Marriages in England, to be made and delivered to the Superintendent Registrar, and also the Certificates to be made and delivered to the Superintendent Registrar, that there has been no Birth, Death, or Marriage registered since the Delivery of the last Certificate, shall in every Case be made up and refer respectively to the last Days of March, June, September, and December then next preceding, and not to the Time of the making or Delivery of such certified Copy or Certificate when made on any subsequent Day.

XXVII. And whereas it is required by the said Act for Clergyman to • registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, that every Rector, be paid for making Register Vicar, and Curate shall register in Duplicate the Particulars in Duplicate. · of every Marriage solemnized by him, One of which Registers he is also required to deliver when filled to the Superintendent Registrar of the District in which such Church or 4 Chapel may be situated, and also Four Times in every Year • to deliver to the said Superintendent Registrar a true Copy, · certified by him under his Hand, of all the Entries of Marriages • in the Register Book kept by him since the last Certificate; be it enacted, That the said Superintendent Registrar shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Rector, Vicar, or Curate the Sum of Sixpence for every Entry contained in such certified Copy, which Sum shall be reimbursed to the said Superintendent Registrar by the Guardians or Overseers of the Union, Parish, or Place for which he shall be appointed Superintendent Registrar as aforesaid, in like Manner as by the said Act is provided for the Payment of the Registrar on Production of his Accounts to the Superintendent Registrar.

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Penalty for neglecting to send certified Copies of Register Books.

Certificates, &c. required to be given to any Superintendent Registrar may be given to any Registrar, who is to forward the same, &c.

Authority for administering Oaths.

Limitation as to summary Convictions.

Stamp Duty not payable on licensing Chapels for Marriages.

Banns may be published in Chapels where Marriages may be solemnized.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That every Person who under the Provisions of the said Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, or either of them, as amended by this Act, is required to make and deliver to any Superintendent Registrar a certified Copy of the Entries of any Births, Deaths, or Marriages registered by him, or the Certificate required by the said Acts as amended by this Act that there have been no Entries since the last Certificate, and who after being duly required to deliver such certified Copy or such Certificate as aforesaid shall refuse or during One Calendar Month neglect so to do, shall be liable for every such Offence to forfeit a Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds, to be recovered as other Penalties for Offences against the said Acts are made recoverable : Provided always, that in such Case a Moiety of the Penalty shall not go to the Informer, but the whole shall go to the Registrar General, or such other Person as the Commissioners of the Treasury shall appoint, for the Use of Her Majesty.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That in every Case in which any Rector, Vicar, or Curate is required by either of the said Acts for Marriages, and for registering Births, Deaths, and Marriages, or by this Act, to give or deliver any Notice, Certificate, or certified Copy to any Superintendent Registrar, it shall be sufficient for such Rector, Vicar, or Curate to give or deliver the same to some Registrar under the Superintendence of such Superintendent Registrar; and every Registrar on receiving any such Notice; Certificate, or certified Copy shall give or deliver the same to the Superintendent Registrar; and each Superintendent Registrar shall direct the Registrars of Births and Deaths under his Superintendence quarterly or oftener if he shall think fit or shall be so ordered to do by the Registrar General to collect the Notices, Certificates, and certified Copies from every Rector, Vicar, and Curate within his District.

XXX. And for removing of all Doubt with regard to the Administration of Oaths, be it enacted, That every Person before whom by the said Acts or either of them an Oath is directed to be taken is hereby authorized to administer the same.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That the Prosecution for every Offence punishable upon summary Conviction by virtue of the said Acts or this Act shall be commenced within Three Months after the Commission of such Offence.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That no Stamp Duty shall be required nor shall any Duty be chargeable on any Licence under the Hand and Seal of any Bishop, or any other Instrument necessary for authorizing the Solemnization of Marriages in any Chapel according to the Provisions of the said Act for Marriages.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That the Banns of Marriage of any Persons may be published in any Chapel licensed by the Bishop, according to the Provisions of the said Act for Marriages, for the Solemnization of Marriages, in which those Persons might

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might lawfully be married; and instead of the Notice required by the said Act the Words "Banns may be published and Marriages may be solemnized in this Chapel" shall be placed in some conspicuous Part in the Interior of every such Chapel.

XXXIV. And whereas Doubts may arise whether under Marriages may • the said recited Acts it is lawful for the Bishop to license be in licensed ' Chapels for Marriages between Parties One only of whom re-' sides within the District specified in such Licence;' be it there- Parties is resifore enacted and declared, That all such Licences shall be dent in District. construed to extend to and authorize Marriages in such Chapels between Parties One or both of whom is or are resident within the said District: Provided always, that where the Parties to Publication of any Marriage intended to be solemnized after Publication of Banns where Banns shall reside within different Ecclesiastical Districts the the Parties re-side in different Banns for such Marriage shall be published as well in the Districts. Church or Chapel wherein such Marriage is intended to be solemnized as in the Chapel licensed under the Provisions of the said recited Act for the other District within which One of the Parties is resident, and if there be no such Chapel then in the Church or Chapel in which the Banns of such lastmentioned Party might be legally published if the said recited Act had not been passed.

XXXV. 'And whereas certain Provisions are made in the Any Building ' Act intituled An Act for Marriages in England, relating to used exclusively 'Act intituled An Act for marriages in England, relating to as a Roman Ca-' the Celebration of Marriages in separate Buildings;' be it tholic Chapel enacted, That any Building which shall have been licensed and for One Year used during One Year next before Registration for Public Re- may be regisligious Worship as a Roman Catholic Chapel exclusively shall be bration of Martaken to be a separate Building for the Purpose of being regis- riages. tered for the Celebration of Marriages, notwithstanding the same shall be under the same Roof with any other Building, or shall form a Part only of a Building.

XXXVI. And whereas it is enacted in the said recited Act Notice to Su-• for Marriages in *England*, that where by any Law or Canon perintendent fin former before the perint of the period Act it is provided that Registrar, and ' in force before the passing of the said Act it is provided that Issue of Certi-" any Marriage may be solemnized after Publication of Banns, ficate by him, ' such Marriage may be solemnized in like Manner on Pro- to be used and ' duction of the Registrar's Certificate as therein-after provided;' of Banns. be it enacted, That the giving of Notice to the Superintendent Registrar, and the Issue of the Superintendent Registrar's Certificate, as in the said Act and by this Act provided, shall be used and stand instead of the Publication of Banns to all Intents and Purposes where no such Publication shall have taken place; and every Parson, Vicar, Minister, or Curate in England shall solemnize Marriage after such Notice and Certificate as aforesaid in like Manner as after due Publication of Banns: Provided always, that the Church wherein any Marriage according to the Rites of the Church of England shall so be solemnized shall be within the District of the Superintendent Registrar by whom such Certificate as aforesaid shall have been issued.

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An Act to abolish the Punishment of the Pillory. [30th June 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to abolish the Punishment of the Pillory;' be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act Judgment shall not be given and awarded against any Person or Persons convicted of any Offence that such Person or Persons do stand in or upon the Pillory; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding : Provided that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend in any Manner to change, alter, or affect any Punishment whatsoever which may now be by Law inflicted in respect of any Offence, except only the Punishment of Pillory.

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An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Seventh Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, to provide for improving and rebuilding Shire Halls, County Halls, and other Buildings for holding the Assizes and Grand Sessions, and also Judges Lodgings, throughout England and Wales.

[30th June 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled " An Act to provide for improving and rebuilding Shire Halls, . County Halls, and other Buildings for holding the Assizes and ' Grand Sessions, and also Judges Lodgings, throughout England • and Wales, it is amongst other things enacted, that whenever ' it shall appear to the Justices at any General or Quarter Ses-' sions of the Peace to be holden in any County, Riding, or ⁶ Division in England or Wales, by any Presentment to be made ⁶ by the Grand Jury at any Assizes or Session of Gaol Delivery ' or Session of the Peace to be holden for any such County, · Riding, or Division, or by any Presentment to be at any Time ' made by any Two or more Justices of the Peace in and for such County, Riding, or Division, and laid before the Justices ' at any such General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, that ⁴ any Shire Hall, County Hall, or other Building accustomably ' made use of for holding the Assizes or Sessions of the Peace ' shall be insufficient, inconvenient, deficient, or in want of · Repair or Improvement, or that there is a Necessity for the Erection of a new Shire Hall, County Hall, or other Building, • it shall be lawful for the Justices assembled at the General ' or Quarter Sessions at which such Presentment shall be laid • before such Justices in manner therein mentioned to take ' such

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 such Measures, either by Contract or otherwise, as shall • appear to them to be requisite and proper for the altering, enlarging, repairing, or improving of any Shire Hall, County ⁶ Hall, or other Building as aforesaid, or for the pulling down ⁶ of any such Shire Hall, County Hall, or other Building, or ' any Part thereof, and for the building of any new Shire Hall, County Hall, or other Building, or any Part thereof, in lieu · of any Building or any Part of any Building which shall be so pulled down: And whereas the Assizes and Sessions of the · Peace for divers Counties, Ridings, and Divisions have been usually holden in the Town Hall of some City or Town, or in some Building, belonging jointly to such County, Riding, or ' Division, and to the City or Town wherein the same is ' situate, and not in any Shire Hall, County Hall, or other · Building belonging exclusively to such County, Riding, or ' Division; and Doubts have been entertained whether under ' the Provisions of the said Act the Justices have Power under ' any such Presentment as aforesaid to take Measures for the building, altering, or repairing of any Shire Hall or County ' Hall, or Building used or to be used partly as a Shire Hall ' and partly as a Town Hall, in those Cases in which such · Assizes or Sessions have heretofore been usually holden in ' some Town Hall or other Building not being a Shire Hall ' or County Hall or other Building belonging exclusively to ' such County, Riding, or Division, and it is expedient that ' such Doubts should be removed: And whereas by an Act ' passed in the Fourth Year of His late Majesty King William ' the Fourth's Reign, intituled An Act for the Appointment of ' convenient Places for the holding of Assizes in England and ' Wales, it is amongst other things enacted, that His Majesty, by and with the Advice of His Most Honourable Privy Council, ' shall have Power from Time to Time to order and direct at ' what Place or Places in any County of England or Wales the · Assizes or Sessions under the Commissions of Gaol Delivery ' and other Commissions for the Despatch of Criminal and Civil · Business shall be holden, and to order and direct such Assizes. · and Sessions for the Despatch of Criminal and Civil Business • to be holden at more than One Place in the same County on the same Circuit; and it is expedient that the Provisions · contained in the said Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign ' of His Majesty King George the Fourth should be extended ' to Cases where it may be necessary to provide Shire Halls for · holding Assizes in Places at which the same may be holden ' under the Provisions of the said Act of the Fourth Year of • the Reign of His said late Majesty: And whereas it is also ' expedient that the Justices of the Peace of Counties, Ridings, ' or Divisions in England and Wales should be empowered to. ' enter into Contracts with the Owners of Town Halls or other-· Buildings, for the Use and Occupation of such Town Halls. • or other Buildings, or Part thereof, for the holding of Assizes ' and Sessions therein, and for other County Business, and for the Repair, Alteration, or Improvement of such Town Halls. K 3

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Powers of 7 G. 4. c. 63. to extend to Cases of building or repairing new Shire Halls or County Halls, or Buildings used partly as Shire Halls and partly as Town Halls, in certain Cases.

Where Place for holding Assize is changed, the Justices empowered to take Measures for providing the Accommodation necessary. 1 VICT.

' or other Buildings:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all and singular the Powers, Authorities, and Provisions in the said Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth contained relative to the building, altering, and repairing of any Shire Hall or County Hall, in lieu of any former Shire Hall or County Hall pulled down under the Provisions of the said Act, and to the purchasing any Houses, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments for that Purpose, and to defraying the Expences of any such Building, and to raising Money for that Purpose, shall be deemed and taken to apply to and authorize the building, altering, and repairing of any Shire Hall or County Hall, or Building used or to be used partly as a Shire Hall and partly as a Town Hall, in those Cases in which such Assizes or Sessions as aforesaid have usually been holden in some Town Hall or other Building not belonging exclusively to such County, Riding, or Division, and whether such Town Hall or other Building shall or shall not be pulled down, and the purchasing any Houses, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments for that Purpose, and the defraying the Expences of any such Building, and the raising Money for that Purpose, in the same Way as if such Shire Hall, County Hall, or Building used or to be used partly as a Shire Hall and partly as a Town Hall had been built in lieu of some Shire Hall or County Hall pulled down under the Provisions of the said last-mentioned Act.

II. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in which by virtue of any Order in Council, made or to be made under the Authority of the said Act of the Fourth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, the Assizes for any County, Riding, or Division have been or shall hereafter be directed to be holden in any City, Town, or Place in which the same have not usually been holden, either in addition to or in substitution for the Place at which the same have usually been holden for such County, Riding, or Division, the Provisions contained in the said Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth shall be deemed and taken to authorize and empower the Justices in Sessions assembled to take all necessary Measures, by Contract or otherwise, for purchasing in such City, Town, or Place at which such Assizes shall have been or may hereafter be directed to be holden any Building to be converted into or used as a new Shire Hall or County Hall, or for purchasing in such City, Town, or Place any Ground, and erecting thereon any new Shire Hall or County Hall, and for repairing and altering from Time to Time any such Shire Hall, County Hall, or Building, in the same Manner and subject to the same Restrictions and Regulations, and with the same Powers and Authorities, as in the said last-mentioned Act are contained with reference to the County Halls or Shire Halls therein mentioned : Provided always, that nothing herein or in the

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the said recited Act contained shall be deemed or taken to restrict the said Justices from purchasing any such Shire Hall or County Hall, or causing the same to be built in any Place which to them may seem most convenient.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for Clerks of the the Clerk of the Peace for the Time being of any County, Peace, by Ord Riding, or Division, by Order of the Justices of the Peace of Sessions, for such County, Riding, or Division in General or Quarter Sessions Counties may assembled, by Writing under his Hand to contract, on behalf contract for Use of Buildof such County, Riding, or Division, with any Person or Per- ings for holding sons, Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, being the Owner Assizes and or Owners of any Town Hall or other Building, for the Use and Occupation of such Town Hall or other Building, or any Part or Portion thereof, for holding the Assizes and Sessions of such County, Riding, or Division therein, and for other public Purposes of such County, Riding, or Division, upon such Terms, and subject to such annual Rent, and to such Conditions as to the Repairs, Alterations, or Improvements of such Halls or other Buildings, or any Part or Portion thereof, and for furnishing the same with necessary and convenient Furniture, Matters, and Things, or otherwise, as may be agreed upon between such Clerk of the Peace, on behalf of such County, Riding, or Division, and such Owner or Owners as aforesaid; and all such Contracts shall be binding and conclusive upon the several Parties thereto for such Period of Time as shall be specified therein; and such annual Rent, and the Costs and Charges of such Alterations, Repairs, Improvements, and Furniture, or so much thereof as shall by such Contract be agreed to be paid by the said County, Riding, or Division, shall be defrayed out of the general Rates of such County, Riding, or Division, in like Manner as the other general Expences of such County, Riding, or Division are by Law now directed to be paid: Provided always, that no such Order of Sessions shall Previous Nobe made unless due Notice of the Intention to propose the same tice to be given shall have been given in some Newspaper usually circulated in of such Order. such County, Riding, or Division, Twice at least in each of the last Three Months previously to the holding of the Sessions at which such Order shall be made: Provided also, that no Clerk of the Peace shall be personally liable by virtue of any such Contract.

IV. And be it enacted, That all Matters and Things to be All Matters done and transacted in any Shire Hall, County Hall, or other transacted in Building to be purchased, built, or hired under the Powers of Shire Halls provided under this Act, shall be as good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and this Act de-Purposes as if the same had been done and transacted in any clared valid. Shire Hall built under the Powers of the said Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or Act may be repealed by any other Act in this present Session of Parliament. altered this

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Police District of Dublin Metropolis defined.

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The Lord Lieutenant and Council may direct any Parishes within certain Limits to be added to the District; and such rarishes when so added shall become Part

An Act to make more effectual Provisions relating to the Police in the District of Dublin Metropolis.

[3d July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for improving the Police in the · District of Dublin Metropolis, whereby Provision was made for establishing a new and more efficient System of Police within the Limits of the Police District of Dublin Metropolis: And whereas it is expedient to alter the Limits of the said Police · District and to make further Provision for the more effectual • Maintenance and Regulation of the said Police:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That Her Majesty's Castle of Dublin, and all Places situate and contained within the Limits or Boundary specified and described in the Schedule to this Act annexed, shall, from and after the Day to be appointed and notified, as in the said Act mentioned, for the new Police to take charge of the said District, be constituted for the Purposes of this Act and of the said recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, and the several other Acts establishing and regulating the Police of Dublin Metropolis, into One District, to be called " The Police District of *Dublin* Metropolis," instead and in the Place of the Police District of the said Metropolis as the same was constituted and defined in and by an Act made in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George 48 G. 3. c. 140. the Third, intituled An Act for the more effectual Administration of the Office of a Justice of the Peace, and for the more effectual Prevention of Felonies within the District of Dublin Metropolis; and that all Parts of the County of Dublin not comprised within the said District, as the same is by this Act limited and defined, shall be deemed to be the County of Dublin for the Purposes of and within the Intent and Meaning of an Act of the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to consolidate the Laws relating to the Constabulary Force in Ireland.

II. ' And whereas it may hereafter become expedient that ' the Provisions of this Act should be extended to other Places ' in addition to the Places comprised within the Limits or ' Boundary described in the Schedule to this Act annexed;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being from Time to Time, by the Advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council for Ireland, to order that any Parish or Place in the County of Dublin or County of the City of Dublin, of such District. of which Parish or Place any Part shall be situate within the Limits or Boundary described in the said Schedule, shall, after a certain Day, to be named in such Order, be added to and form Part of the said Police District, and thereupon and by force of such Order such Parish or Place shall be and become to all Intents

Intents and Purposes Part of such Police District, as if the same had been originally included therein by virtue of this. Act

III. And be it enacted, That no Misnomer or inaccurate Misnomers not Description in the Schedule to this Act annexed, or in any Execution of Order in Council to be made as aforesaid, shall prevent or in the Act. anywise affect the Operation thereof, but that this Act and every such Order shall apply and be enforced as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the Subject of such Misnomer or Misdescription had been correctly named and described in such Schedule or Order in Council, provided the same be designated to common Intent and Understanding; and provided further, that united Parishes shall for all the Purposes of this Act be deemed to be included under and denoted by the Word "Parish."

IV. And whereas it is expedient to provide for the more Provision for ' just and equal Assessment of all Houses, Lands, and Tenements essessing and levying Police ' in the said Districts towards the Maintenance of the said Police, Rates in the " and for the Purposes of the said Acts and this Act;' be it Metropolitan therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said District. Justices appointed under the said first-recited Act of the last Session of Parliament to raise and levy from Time to Time on all Houses, Lands, and Tenements situate and being within the said District, such Rates or Taxes as they shall from Time to Time find necessary for the Maintenance of the said Police and the several Purposes of the said Acts and this Act; provided that the Sum or Sums to be so raised and levied shall' not exceed in the whole in any One Year Eight-pence in the Pound on the annual Value of such Houses, Lands, and Tenements; and the said Justices shall from Time to Time as they find Occasion by Warrant under their Hands appoint One or more proper Person or Persons to rate and assess all such Houses, Lands, and Tenements to such Rate as shall from Time to Time be fixed and determined by the said Justices, not exceeding the Amount of Eight-pence in the Pound, according to the full and fair annual Value thereof; and every such Assessor or Assessors shall, within Forty Days after the Delivery to him or them of the Warrant of his or their Appointment, deliver to the said Justices an Assessment for each Place named in such Mode of making Warrant, which Assessment shall specify the Names of the several the Assess Owners or Occupiers of the respective Houses, Lands, and Tenements comprised in such Assessment, the full and fair annual Value of the same, and the Amount of Police Tax chargeable thereon respectively; and every such Assessor shall be allowed Allowance to for his Trouble and Expences such Remuneration as the Chief Assessors. or Under Secretary of the said Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors shall direct, and the same shall be paid out of the Funds applicable to the Maintenance of the said Police.

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That all Houses, The Valuation Lands, and Tenements included in the general Valuation made made under the Statute 5 G. 4. of the City of Dublin pursuant to an Act passed in the Fifth c. exviii, to be Year

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Houses, &c. comprised in it.

adopted as to all Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to provide for valuing the Houses situate in and near the City of Dublin, and for the more equal Payment of the Local Taxes there, shall, so far as such Valuation may be applicable to the Purposes of this Act, be valued, rated, and assessed to the said Police Tax according to their respective annual Values as set forth in such Valuation; and the said Assessors shall adopt the same, and rate such Houses, Lands, and Tenements accordingly, unless where, upon Appeal from any Assessment made under this Act in manner herein-after mentioned, it shall have been determined that the said Valuation is erroneous.

> VI. And be it enacted, That when any such Assessment shall have been made by the said Justices they shall cause Notice of such Assessment, and of a Place where the same may be inspected, to be given by Advertisements inserted in some One or more Newspapers published in the City of Dublin, and by Notices posted at the several Watch or Station Houses, and at the Police Office of the Division in which the Parish or Place to which such Assessment shall relate may be situate, and on such other Places within the same as they shall think necessary; and any Person in whose Custody such Assessment may be shall permit every Owner or Occupier of Property included in such Assessment to inspect the same at all reasonable Times, and to make any Extracts therefrom, without Payment of any Fee or Reward; and if such Person shall wilfully neglect or refuse to permit any such Owner or Occupier to inspect such Assessment, or to make any Extract therefrom, he shall, on Conviction thereof before any Two Justices of the Peace, forfeit and pay for every such Offence such Sum not exceeding Five Pounds as the Justices shall think meet.

> VII. And be it enacted, That the said Justices shall from Time to Time nominate and appoint One or more Person or Persons for levying the Amount of Police Tax charged in every such Assessment, who shall have the same Powers, Remedies, and Privileges, and shall be subject to the same Regulations and Penalties, for and with reference to the Performance of their Duties, as if he or they were Collector or Collectors of the Rates and Assessments authorized to be levied by the said Justices under the said first-recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, and shall pay over the Amount of such Police Rate to the Receiver appointed under the said last-mentioned Act, or in default thereof shall be deemed and taken to have embezzled the same, and be proceeded against in the same Manner as Collectors in default may now be proceeded against under any Act now in force relating to the Collection of the Watch Tax in the District of Dublin Metropolis, or under any Law in force in Ireland for the Punishment of the Crime of Embezzlement; and all Money received by any such Collector shall from the Receipt thereof by him be deemed the Money of the said Receiver, and may be so described in any Information, Indictment; or other Proceeding.

> > VIII. Pro-

When Asses ment is made Notice thereof shall be given, and all Persons included in the Assessment shall have Liberty to inspect it, &c.

Penalty for refusing such Inspection.

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VIII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any Person Appeal against who shall have paid the Amount charged upon him by any Am Assessment made under this Act shall think himself aggrieved thereby, either on the Ground that such Assessment includes any Property for which he is not rateable, or that his rateable Property is assessed beyond its full and fair annual Value, or that any Person or Persons is or are omitted out of such Assessment, or that the Property of any Person or Persons is assessed below its full and fair annual Value, the Person so thinking himself aggrieved may appeal to the next Court of General or Quarter Sessions which shall be holden for the County of the City of Dublin, not less than Twenty-one Days after public Notice of such Assessment shall have been given as herein-before mentioned; provided that the Person so intending to appeal shall give to the said Receiver a Notice in Writing of such Appeal, and of the Cause and Matter thereof, Ten clear Days at the least before such Sessions, and shall also, within Three Days after his Notice of Appeal enter into a Recognizance before some Justice of the Peace of the said County, with Two sufficient Sureties, conditioned to try such Appeal at the said Sessions, and to abide the Order of the Court thereupon, and to pay such Costs as shall be by the Court awarded; and in case such Person shall appeal on the Ground that any Person or Persons is or are omitted out of the Assessment, or that the Property of any Person or Persons is assessed below its full and fair annual Value, the Party so appealing shall not only give such Notice of Appeal to the Receiver, and enter into such Recognizance as aforesaid, but shall also give a like Notice of Appeal to the Person or Persons so interested in the Event of such Appeal as aforesaid, and shall enter into a like Recognizance within the Times herein-before respectively mentioned; and the Person or Persons so interested shall, if he or they shall desire it, be heard upon the Appeal, and the Justices of the Peace at such Sessions or some Adjournment thereof, upon due Proof of the Notice having been given and of the Recognizance having been entered into as aforesaid, shall hear and determine the Matter of the Appeal in a summary Manner, and shall make such Order therein, with or without Costs to either Party, as the said Justices shall think proper; and in case the said The Assessment Justices shall think the Appellant entitled to Relief they shall may be altered to relieve the order the Assessment to be amended in such Manner as may Appellant, withbe necessary for giving him Relief, and shall also order any out altering any Money paid by him which he was not liable to pay to be re- other Part of it. turned to him by the said Receiver; and in case he shall have appealed on the Ground that any Person or Persons is or are omitted out of the Assessment, the said Justices may order the Name or Names of such Person or Persons to be inserted in the Assessment, and to be therein rated at such Amount as they shall deem just; and in case the Appellant shall have appealed on the Ground that the Property of any Person or Persons is assessed below its full and fair annual Value, the said Justices may order the Amount at which such Person or Persons is or are rated in the

the Assessment to be altered in such Manner as they shall deem just; and the proper Officer of the Court shall in each of the Cases aforesaid forthwith amend the Assessment accordingly, but the Assessment shall not be quashed or altered with respect to any other Persons named therein; and the Determination of the Justices at any such Sessions or Adjournment shall be final and conclusive.

IX. And be it enacted, That where any House liable to Assessment under this Act shall be of a less annual Value than under 101. (Assessment under this Act shall be of a less annual value than an epicale. Fren Pounds, the immediate Landlord under whom such House may be held shall be rated and assessed to the said Tax; and that when any House shall be let out in Apartments, the immediate Lessor or Landlord under whom all the different Holdings in such House are derived, shall be rated or assessed for the same, and the Rate payable in respect thereof may be recovered from such Lessor or Landlord, whose Goods and Chattels, wheresoever found, shall be liable to be distrained for Payment of such Rate, as if found on the Premises chargeable : Provided always, that where such Rate shall be in arrear and unpaid for the Space of Thirty-one Days after the same shall have become due it shall be lawful for the Collector or other Person authorized to demand Payment thereof to give Notice in Writing to the Person or Persons in occupation of the House in respect whereof such Arrears shall be due to pay to the Receiver of the said Police Establishment the Rent or Rents reserved upon his, her, or their Holding; after the Service of which Notice, by leaving the same at the Premises chargeable, every such Tenant, Occupier, or Lodger shall pay all Rent thereafter accruing due from him, pursuant to the Requisition of such Notice, the Receipt of which Payment shall be a sufficient Discharge for such Rent to the Person paying the same against the immediate Landlord of such Person, who shall accept such Receipt as Payment of so much Rent due to him; and no such Tenant, Occupier, or Lodger shall be liable to any Distress or other Remedy on the Part of such Landlord for the Amount so paid; and from and after the Delivery of such Notice, and until Satisfaction of all such Arrears of the said Police Tax, the said Receiver, or any other Person authorized by the said Justices to receive such Arrears, shall have all such Rights, Powers, and Authorities for recovering and enforcing the Payment of the Rent due and payable by any such Tenant. Occupier, or Lodger as the immediate Landlord of such Tenant, Occupier, or Lodger might have had; and after Satisfaction of such Arrears of the said Police Tax by the Receipt of such Rent as aforesaid, the Overplus, deducting therefrom One Shilling in the Pound, and so rateably for any smaller Sum, shall be paid over to the said Landlord.

> X. Provided, and be it enacted, That the first Rate or Assessment of the said Police Tax under this Act shall not be made until after the Expiration of Two Calendar Months from the passing of this Act, and shall be thereafter made at such Time or Times as the said Justices shall fix; and that until such first Rate

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how to be paid.

No Rate to be made under

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Rate and Assessment of the said Police Tax shall be made under Powers of rethis Act, but no longer, the Powers given in and by the said cited Act to first-recited Act of the last Session of Parliament to the said continue-Justices to raise and levy the Rates and Assessments mentioned in the said Act shall continue and be in full Force and Effect: Provided always, that it shall and may be lawful for the said Recovery of Justices to recover, by all such Ways and Means as they might due. have done in case this Act had not been passed, any Arrears

of such Rates or Assessments remaining due at the Time of making such first Rate or Assessment of the said Police Tax under this Act. XI. And be it enacted, That an Account of all Monies re- Accounts of

ceived and expended for the Purposes of this Act, made up to Monies rethe Thirty-first Day of December in each Year, shall annually be pended under laid before both Houses of Parliament within Thirty Days there- this Act to be anafter, if Parliament be then sitting, or within Thirty Days after nually laid be-fore Parliament, subsequent to the Thirty Days after the First Meeting of Parliament subsequent to the Thirtyfirst Day of December ; and such Account shall specify the total Sum charged upon and received from every Parish, Township, Precinct, Liberty, or Place for the Purposes of this Act, the Rate in the Pound at which such Sum shall have been computed, and the total annual Value of the entire Property in every such Parish, Township, Precinct, Liberty, or Place as such total annual Value shall be stated in the last Valuation thereof, acted upon for the Purposes of this Act; and such Account shall also specify the different Heads of Expenditure for the Purposes of the Police and the Amount actually expended under each.

XII. And be it enacted, That no Houses, Lands, or Tene- No Part of the ments comprised within the said District shall, from and after District to be their being assessed under this Act, be liable to or charged with County Grand any Rate, Cess, or Assessment imposed by virtue of any Pre- Jury Cess for sentment made or to be made by the Grand Jury of the County Constabulary of Dublin, for or in respect of the Constabulary Force for the said County, under the said herein-before recited Act of the last Session of Parliament, except in so far as may be required to repay any Advance which may have been made for the Service of the said Constabulary Force previous to such first Assessment; all which Advances shall and may be recovered, and the said Houses, Lands, and Tenements, and the Owners and Occupiers thereof, be and remain liable to the Payment of all Sums presented and applotted on account of such previous Advances, in like Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if this Act had not been made.

XIII. And whereas the said Police District of Dublin Police District ' Metropolis, as heretofore constituted and defined, is by Law may be divided. directed to be divided into and now consists of Four Divisions, ' in each of which One Public Office is established, and Three ' Divisional Justices appointed to attend: And whereas it may ' be expedient that a smaller Number of Divisional and Police ' Officers and Divisional Justices respectively should be estab-' lished and assigned in and for the said Police District as ' defined under this Act;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall and

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and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being, by and with the Advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council there, to divide the said Police District of Dublin Metropolis, as defined under this Act, into any Number not exceeding Four Divisions, and to define and declare the Limits thereof accordingly, and to establish Public Offices therein, One in each such Division, and to attach to each such Office any Number not exceeding Three such Justices; and from Time to Time as such Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors shall, with such Advice and Consent as aforesaid, think proper, to alter the Number of such Divisions or the Limits thereof, or to discontinue or alter the Situation of any of the said Offices, or to increase or diminish the Number of Justices attached thereto respectively: Provided always, that there shall not at any Time be more than Four such Divisions or Offices, nor more than Three nor less than Two Justices (of whom One shall be a Barrister) attached to any such Office.

XIV. And be it enacted, That upon any such Reduction of the Number of Divisional Justices or Divisions, it shall and may be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors to select from and out of the Divisional Justices then acting as such so many as may be required to discharge the Duties of the said Police Offices, and to supersede other of the said Justices whose Services may not be required, and in like Manner to supersede any Clerk or Chief Constable previously attached to any Office then discontinued, and to direct that any of such Justices, Clerks, or Constables so superseded shall receive Two Thirds of his present Salary during his Life, payable in like Manner as the Salary of such Justices, Clerks, or Constables are payable out of the Funds applicable to the Maintenance of the said Police.

XV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Payment of any and every Allowance of any Proportion of Salary to any Justice, Clerk, or Constable superseded under this Act, shall altogether cease and be suspended during any Period while the Person to whom such Allowance shall be granted shall hold any Office in any public Department, the Salary or Profits whereof shall be equal to or shall exceed the Salary which was enjoyed by such Person as such Justice, Clerk, or Constable; and in case the Salary or Profits of the Office to which such Person may be appointed shall be less than the Salary which was enjoyed by such Person as such Justice, Clerk, or Constable, then no more of such Allowance shall be paid to him than what, together with the Salary and Profits of such new Office, shall be equal to the Amount of the Salary enjoyed by such Person at the Time of his being superseded as aforesaid.

XVI. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, from Time to Time as he or they shall find necessary, to make such Rules and Regulations in respect of the Attendance of the Justices and other Officers at the Police 13 Offices,

Upon Reduction of Divisions, the Justices, &c. may be superseded at Discretion of Lord Lieutenant, on Two Thirds of their Salaries.

Allowances to Justices, &c. shall be suspended on Appointment to any Office with a Salary equal to that of the Office suspended, and in proportion if to an Office with a less Salary.

Lord Lieutenant may fix the Hours of Attendance.

Offices, and conducting the same, as may be deemed expedient, and to require the occasional Attendance of any Divisional Justice at any Office other than that to which he may be regularly attached, if necessary.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That whenever the Number When the of Divisional Justices at any Public Office in the said District Justices are reduced to Two shall not exceed Two, or the Number of Offices be reduced in each Office, below Four, it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Lord Lord Lieu-Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors, in considera- tenant may intion of the increased Duty which will be imposed on such Salaries to 6004. Justices, to increase the Salary of each Divisional Justice at such Office, or in case of the Reduction of the Number of Offices at the remaining Offices, to any Sum not exceeding Six hundred Pounds by the Year, to be chargeable on the Funds applicable to the Maintenance of the said Police.

XVIII. ' And whereas by Operation of the said recited Act Lord Lieus of the last Session of Parliament, for the Consolidation of the tenant may ^c Laws relating to the Constabulary Force in *Ireland*, the Office sation to the · of Superintendent or Inspector of the Chief Constables and Inspector of Constables appointed under an Act passed in the Fifth Year the County of Dublin Con-• of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled stabulary under An Act to amend an Act of the Third Year of His present 5 G. 4. c. 28. " Majesty's Reign, for the Appointment of Constables in Ireland, " will cease and determine on the Constabulary Force of the ' said County being organized under the said Act of the last Session of Parliament, and it is reasonable that Compensation ' should be made to such Superintendent for the Loss of the ' said Office;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors to grant to the Person having held the said Office of Superintendent or Inspector of the Chief Constables and Constables an annual Allowance or Compensation not exceeding Two Thirds of the Salary paid to him in respect of the said Office, which Allowance or Compensation shall be presented by the Grand Jury of the said County of Dublin in Two equal Sums, One Moiety at each Presenting Term, during his Life, on Proof to the Grand Jury from Time to Time that he is living.

XIX. And be it enacted, That no Office or Employment under No Office the said first-recited Act of the last Session of Parliament shall under 6 W. 4. prevent the Holder thereof from receiving any Half Pay to which, vent the Holder if he did not hold such Office or Employment, he might be or from receiving become entitled under any Act passed or hereafter to be passed, Half Pay. unless it shall be specially mentioned and provided in such Act that Persons holding such Appointments shall not receive Half Pay

XX. And be it enacted, That the Justices appointed and Justices not to acting under the said recited Act of the Forty-eighth Year of serve on Juries. the Reign of King George the Third, or under any Act passed or to be passed for the Regulation of the Police District of Dublin Metropolis, shall be and are hereby exempted and disqualified from being returned or serving on any Juries or Inquests

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Inquests whatsoever in the County or County of the City of Dublin.

XXI. 'And whereas there are many Shops, Rooms, Cellars, ' and Places of public Resort, where Thieves, Prostitutes, and • other disorderly Persons assemble at Night; be it enacted, That no Shop, Room, Cellar, or Place of public Resort, where readymade Coffee, Tea, or other Liquors are sold or consumed, within the said Police District, shall be kept open after the Hour of Eleven at Night during any Part of the Year, nor open before the Hour of Four in the Morning between Lady Day and Michaelmas, or before Five in the Morning between Michaelmas and Lady Day; and that no Shop, Room, Cellar, or Place of public Resort, where any Refreshments or any Liquors not subject to any Duties of Customs or Excise are consumed within the said Police District, shall be kept open after the Hour of One in the Morning or before the Hour of Five in the Morning; and if any such Shop, Room, Cellar, or Place shall be open within the Hours herein-before respectively prohibited, or being shut up if any Person shall during those Hours respectively be found therein, except the Persons actually dwelling there, or having lawful Excuse for being there, or if Gaming shall be at any Time permitted or suffered therein, then the Master, Mistress, Waiter, or other Person having the Care, Government, or Management of such Shop, Room, Cellar, or Place, whether he or she be the real Owner or Keeper thereof or not, shall forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding Ten Pounds upon Conviction of any such Offence before any Justice of the Peace by Confession or upon the Oath of One or more credible Witness or Witnesses; and if the Party so convicted shall not immediately pay the said Penalty, the Justice shall commit him or her to hard Labour in the House of Correction for any Space of Time not exceeding Three Months, unless the said Penalty shall be sooner paid; and the said Penalty when paid shall be distributed, one Moiety to the Informer, and the other Moiety to the Receiver of the Police Fund of the said District, for the Purposes of the said Acts: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall apply to or affect any House duly licensed for the Sale of Wines and Spirituous Liquors; and that no such Conviction shall exempt the Owner, Keeper, or Manager of any such Shop, Room, Cellar, or Place from any Penalty or penal Consequence whereto he or she may be liable for keeping a disorderly House.

XXII. And be it enacted, That if any Person shall within the said Police District blow any Horn or use any other noisy Instrument for the Purpose of hawking, selling, or distributing any Article whatsoever, it shall be lawful for any Constable, Patrol, Watchman, or other Person to apprehend every Person so offending, and convey him before any Justice of the Peace, who shall proceed to examine upon Oath any Witnesses appearing to give Evidence touching such Offence; and if the Party accused shall be convicted of such Offence, then and in every such Case he shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any 9 Sum

Penalty for offending herein.

Application of Penalty.

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Prohibiting the blowing of Horns.

Penalty not exceeding 40s.

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Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings; and in case the Offender shall not upon Conviction forthwith pay the Penalty, such Justice is hereby required to commit such Offender to the House of Correction, there to be kept to hard Labour for any Time not exceeding Ten Days, unless the Penalty shall be sooner paid.

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XXIII. ' And whereas Accidents often happen and Damage To prevent is frequently done in the Streets and Highways by the negligent or · Negligence or wilful Misbehaviour of Persons driving Car-' riages or Vehicles thereon, and the Laws now in force have Drivers of Car-' been found insufficient for the due Protection of Her Majesty's ringes, &c. in ' Subjects;' be it therefore enacted, That if the Driver of any Carriage or Vehicle of any Kind whatsoever shall ride upon any such Carriage or Vehicle, or on any Horse drawing the same, not having some Person on Foot or on Horseback to guide the same (such Carriages or Vehicles as are commonly driven or conducted by some Person holding the Reins of the Horse or Horses excepted), or if the Driver of any Carriage or Vehicle whatsoever, or any Person riding, shall by Negligence, wilful Misbehaviour, or any other Misconduct, cause any Hurt or Damage to any Person or Property being upon any Street or Highway, or if the Driver of any Carriage or Vehicle whatever shall wilfully be at such Distance from such Carriage or Vehicle that he cannot have the Direction and Government of any Horse or Horses or Cattle drawing the same, not having employed some proper Person to take care of the same, or shall, by Negligence, wilful Misbehaviour, or any other Misconduct, interrupt the free Passage of any other Carriage or Vehicle or of Her Majesty's Subjects, or shall obstruct any Street or Highway, or any Crossing therein, or the Approach or Access to any House or Shop, and being required by any Constable or Peace Officer to pass on or move shall continue to obstruct the same, every Person so offending in any of the Cases aforesaid Penalty not within the said District, and being convicted by any Justice of exceeding 40e. the Peace of any such Offence, either upon Confession or by the Oath of a credible Witness, shall for every such Offence forfeit any Sum not exceeding Forty Shillings; and in every Compensation Case where any such Hurt or Damage shall have been caused for Hurt or as aforesaid shall further pay such a Sum, not exceeding Five exceeding 51. Pounds, as shall appear to the said Justice to be a reasonable Compensation to the Person so aggrieved or injured; and the Evidence of such Person shall be admitted in proof of the Offence: Provided always, that if the Person so aggrieved or injured shall have been the only Witness examined in proof of the Offence, such Sum so ordered as Compensation shall be paid and applied in the same Manner as a Penalty; and in default of Payment of such Penalty and of such Compensation, if ordered, together with the Costs attending such Conviction, immediately or within such Time as such Justice shall appoint. such Justice shall and may commit such Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, to be there imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Months, unless such Penalty, L

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together with the Costs and Compensation, if ordered, be sooner paid; and every such Offender shall and may by the Authority of this Act, with or without any Warrant, be apprehended by any Person who shall see such Offence committed, and shall be immediately conveyed or delivered to a Constable or other Peace Officer, in order to be conveyed before some Justice of the Peace.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act all the Powers and Authorities given to the Commissioners for paving and lighting the City of Dublin, or to any One or more of them, in and by an Act passed in the Fortyseventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for the more effectual Improvement of the City of Dublin and the Environs thereof, or by any Act passed for the Amendment thereof, for hearing and determining any Complaint for any Offence against the Provisions of the said Acts or any of them, and for imposing any Fine or Penalty thereon, and for enforcing the same, and for summoning the Parties and Witnesses thereon, shall be transferred to and be solely exercised according to the Forms and Provisions of the said Acts by One or more of the said Divisional Justices at the Public Office of the Division in which the Matter of said Complaint shall have arisen; and all the Powers given in and by the said Acts or any of them to any Inspector, Constable, or other Person appointed by the said Commissioners for the Removal or Suppression of Nuisances, or the Apprehension of Persons committing any Offence, shall and may be exercised and put in force by all and every or any of the Constables and Sub-Constables appointed or to be appointed under the said first-recited Act of the last Session of Parliament in every Street, Lane, or other Place within the said Police District; and every such Constable or Sub-Constable shall for those Purposes have all the Powers, Authorities, and Privileges of the Inspectors, Constables, and other Persons appointed or who may be appointed under the said Acts for the Improvement of the said City by the said Commissioners.

XXV. And be it enacted, That all Fines and Penalties recoverable under this Act, or under any other Act or Acts now in force or hereafter to be passed, and not otherwise directed by the said Acts to be applied, which may be adjudged or imposed by any Justice or Justices of the Peace within the said District, shall be paid to the Receiver appointed under the said Act of the last Session of Parliament.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That every Conviction for any Offence mentioned in this Act or in any of the said recited Acts, relating to the Police of the District of *Dublin* Metropolis, may be in the following Form of Words, or some other Form of Words to the like Effect:

County, &c. BE it remembered, That on the Day of in the Year of our Lord

' at A.B. is brought before me [or, having been

' duly summoned, has neglected to appear before me,] C.D. ' Esquire,

Powers of the Commissioners of Paving to determine Offences transferred to the Divisional Justices. 47 G. S. Sps. 2. c. 109.

Powers of Inspectors, &c. under said Act given to Constables under 6 & 7 W.4. c. 29.

All Fines imposed to be paid to the Receiver of the Police Funds.

Form of Conviction for Offences.

' Esquire, one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the ' County of [or City or Place, as the Case may be,] ' and is charged before me the said Justice with having [here ' describe the Offence]; and it appearing to me the said Justice ' upon the Confession of him the said A.B. [or upon the Oath ' of a credible Witness, as the Case may be,] that the said A.B. ' is guilty of the said Offence, I do therefore adjudge the said ' A. B. [insert the Adjudication of the Justice]. Given under my ' Hand and Seal the Day and Year first above written.'

XXVII. And be it enacted, That no such Conviction shall Conviction not be quashed or set aside, or adjudged void or insufficient, for to be quashed for Want of Want of Form, nor shall the same be removed by Certiorari Form, or reinto Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench; but that in all moveable. Cases where the Penalty shall exceed the Sum of Five Pounds or One Month's Imprisonment, if any Person shall think himself or herself aggrieved by such Conviction, such Person may Appeal to Quarappeal to the Justices of the Peace at the next General or ter Sessions, &c. Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be held for the County or City wherein the Cause of Complaint shall have arisen, such Person at the Time of his or her Conviction entering into a Recognizance with Two sufficient Sureties conditioned personally to appear at the said Sessions to try such Appeal, and to abide the further Judgment of the Justices at such Sessions assembled; and it shall be lawful for the Justice before whom such Conviction has taken place to bind over the Witnesses who shall have been examined in proof of such Offence in sufficient Recognizances to attend and be examined at the Hearing of such Appeal; and that every such Witness, on producing a Certificate of his being so bound over under the Hand of such Justice, shall be allowed Compensation for his Time and Trouble and Expences in attending such Appeal, which Compensation shall be paid by the Treasurer of the County in like Manner as in Cases of Felony, according to and under the Provisions of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An 6&7W.4.c.116. Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in Ireland: Provided always, that in case such Appeal shall be dismissed and such Conviction affirmed, the reasonable Expences of all such Witnesses attending as aforesaid, to be ascertained by the Court, shall be paid by the Appellant or Appellants, and the Recognizance or Recognizances so entered into as aforesaid shall be estreated, unless such Expences are so paid by such Appellant or Appellants.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended, Act may be altered, or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present altered this Session of Parliament.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed Public Act. and taken to be a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others.

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SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

Boundary of the Dublin Police District.

From the Sea Beach, opposite the Point where the Barony of Rathdown abuts on the Road leading from Dublin to Blackrock at Old Merrion Burying Ground; along the Boundary Line between said Barony and the County of the City of Dublin to the Bridge over the Dodder at Donnybrook; thence along the left Bank of said River Dodder to the Junction of the Baronies of Uppercross and Newcastle, near Cypress Grove; and thence along the Boundary Line between the Baronies of Newcastle and Uppercross to the Third Lock from Dublin, on the Grand Canal, near Golden Bridge; thence in a direct Line to the Bridge over the River Anna Liffey at Chapelizod; and from the said Bridge along the left Bank of said River Anna Liffey to the Ferry at the Bottom of Knockmaroon Hill; thence along the Line of Road over Knockmaroon Hill to the Entrance of the Phœnix Park at Knockmaroon Gate; thence by the Wall of the Phœnix Park to Ashtown Lodge at the Back of the Under Secretary's House; from thence by the most direct Road over Longford Bridge on the Royal Canal to the Tolka River; and thence along the said River till it falls into the Sea at Annesley Bridge; thence by the Sea Line to the Lighthouse at the Termination of the North Wall; from thence across the River Liffey by a direct Line to the Lighthouse at the Termination of the South Wall; and from thence by the Low-water Mark to the Sea Beach opposite the Point where the Barony of Rathdown abuts on the Road leading from Dublin to Blackrock at Old Merrion Churchyard, as above described.

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An Act for the Amendment of the Laws with respect to Wills. [3d July 1837.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Words and Expressions herein-after mentioned, which in their ordinary Signification have a more confined or a different Meaning, shall in this Act, except where the Nature of the Provision or the Context of the Act shall exclude such Construction, be interpreted as follows; (that is to say,) the Word "Will" shall extend to a Testament, and to a Codicil, and to an Appointment by Will or by Writing in the Nature of a Will in exercise of a Power, and also to a Disposition by Will and Testament or Devise of the Custody and Tuition of any Child, by virtue of an Act passed in the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, 12 Car. 2. c. 24. intituled An Act for taking away the Court of Wards and Liveries, and Tenures in capite and by Knights Service, and Purceyance, and for settling a Revenue upon His Majesty in lieu thereof, or by virtue of an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland in the Fourteenth

Meaning of certain Words in this Act;

• Will :"

Fourteenth and Fifteenth Years of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled An Act for taking away the Court of Wards 14 & 15 Car. 2. and Liveries, and Tenures in capite and by Knights Service, and (1.) to any other Testamentary Disposition; and the Words "Real "Real Estate:" Estate " shall extend to Manors, Advowsons, Messuages, Lands, Tithes, Rents, and Hereditaments, whether Freehold, Customary Freehold, Tenant Right, Customary or Copyhold, or of any other Tenure, and whether corporeal, incorporeal, or personal, and to any undivided Share thereof, and to any Estate, Right, or Interest (other than a Chattel Interest) therein; and "Fersonal the Words "Personal Estate" shall extend to Leasehold Estates Estate:" and other Chattels Real, and also to Monies, Shares of Government and other Funds, Securities for Money (not being Real Estates), Debts, Choses in Action, Rights, Credits, Goods, and all other Property whatsoever which by Law devolves upon the Executor or Administrator, and to any Share or Interest therein; and every Word importing the Singular Number only shall ex- Number: tend and be applied to several Persons or Things as well as One Person or Thing; and every Word importing the Masculine Gender. Gender only shall extend and be applied to a Female as well as a Male.

II. And be it further enacted, That an Act passed in the Repeal of the Thirty-second Year of the Reign of King Henry the Eighth, Statutes of Wills, 32 H.8. intituled The Act of Wills, Wards, and Primer Seisins, whereby a c. 1. and Man may devise Two Parts of his Land; and also an Act passed 34 & 35 H. 8. in the Thirty-fourth and Thirty-fifth Years of the Reign of c. 5. the said King Henry the Eighth, intituled The Bill concerning the Explanation of Wills; and also an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland*, in the Tenth Year of the Reign of King Charles the First, intituled An Act how Lands, Tenements, etc. may be 10 Car. 1. disposed by Will or otherwise, and concerning Wards and Primer Sess. 2. c. 2. Seisins ; and also so much of an Act passed in the Twenty-ninth (1.) Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled An 19. 20. 21. & Act for Prevention of Frauds and Perjuries, and of an Act passed 22. of the Stain the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Seventh Year of the Reign tute of Frauds, of King William the Third, initialed An Act for Prevention of 7 W. 3. c. 19. Frauds and Perjuries, as relates to Devises or Bequests of Lands (I.) or Tenements, or to the Revocation or Alteration of any Devise in Writing of any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, or any Clause thereof, or to the Devise of any Estate pur autre vie, or to any such Estate being Assets, or to Nuncupative Wills, or to the repeal, altering, or changing of any Will in Writing concerning any Goods or Chattels or Personal Estate, or any Clause, Devise, or Bequest therein; and also so much of an Sec. 14. of Act passed in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of Queen 4& 5 Anne, c. 16. Anne, intituled An Act for the Amendment of the Law and the better Advancement of Justice, and of an Act passed in the Parliament of *Ireland* in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne, intituled An Act for the Amendment of the Law and the better 6 Anne, c. 10. Advancement of Justice, as relates to Witnesses to Nuncupative (I.) Wills; and also so much of an Act passed in the Fourteenth Sec. 9. of Year of the Reign of King George the Second, intituled An Act 14 G. 2. c. 20.

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25 G. 2. c. 6. (except as to Colonies.)

25 G. 2. c. 11. (I.)

55 G. S. c. 192.

All Property may be disposed of by Will,

comprising Customary Freeholds and Copyholds without Surrender and before Admittance, and also such of them as cannot now be devised;

Estates pur autre vie ;

contingent Interests ;

to amend the Law concerning Common Recoveries, and to explain and amend an Act made in the Twenty-ninth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled 'An Act for Prevention of ' Frauds and Perjuries,' as relates to Estates pur autre vie; and also an Act passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King George the Second, intituled An Act for avoiding and putting an end to certain Doubts and Questions relating to the Attestation of Wills and Codicils concerning Real Estates in that Part of Great Britain called England, and in His Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in America, except so far as relates to His Majesty's Colonies and Plantations in America; and also an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland in the same Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King George the Second, intituled An Act for the avoiding and putting an end to certain Doubts and Questions relating to the Attestations of Wills and Codicils concerning Real Estates; and also an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign

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of King George the Third, intituled An Act to remove certain Difficulties in the Disposition of Copyhold Estates by Will, shall be and the same are hereby repealed, except so far as the same Acts or any of them respectively relate to any Wills or Estates pur autre vie to which this Act does not extend.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for every Person to devise, bequeath, or dispose of, by his Will executed in manner herein-after required, all Real Estate and all Personal Estate which he shall be entitled to, either at Law or in Equity, at the Time of his Death, and which if not so devised, bequeathed, or disposed of would devolve upon the Heir at Law, or Customary Heir of him, or, if he became entitled by Descent, of his Ancestor, or upon his Executor or Administrator; and that the Power hereby given shall extend to all Real Estate of the Nature of Customary Freehold or Tenant Right, or Customary or Copyhold, notwithstanding that the Testator may not have surrendered the same to the Use of his Will, or notwithstanding that, being entitled as Heir, Devisee, or otherwise to be admitted thereto, he shall not have been admitted thereto, or notwithstanding that the same, in consequence of the Want of a Custom to devise or surrender to the Use of a Will or otherwise, could not at Law have been disposed of by Will if . this Act had not been made, or notwithstanding that the same, in consequence of there being a Custom that a Will or a Surrender to the Use of a Will should continue in force for a limited Time only, or any other special Custom, could not have been disposed of by Will according to the Power contained in this Act, if this Act had not been made; and also to Estates pur autre vie, whether there shall or shall not be any special Occupant thereof, and whether the same shall be Freehold, Customary Freehold, Tenant Right, Customary or Copyhold, or of any other Tenure, and whether the same shall be a corporeal or an incorporeal Hereditament; and also to all contingent, executory, or other future Interests in any Real or Personal Estate, whether the Testator may or may not be ascertained as the Person or one of the Persons in whom the same respectively may

may become vested, and whether he may be entitled thereto under the Instrument by which the same respectively were created or under any Disposition thereof by Deed or Will; and Rights of also to all Rights of Entry for Conditions broken, and other Entry; Rights of Entry; and also to such of the same Estates, Interests, and Property and Rights respectively, and other Real and Personal Estate, acquired after Execution of as the Testator may be entitled to at the Time of his Death, the Will notwithstanding that he may become entitled to the same subsequently to the Execution of his Will.

IV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That where As to the Fees any Real Estate of the Nature of Customary Freehold or Tenant and Fines pay-able by Devi-Right, or Customary or Copyhold, might, by the Custom of the sees of Custo-Manor of which the same is holden, have been surrendered to mary and Copythe Use of a Will, and the Testator shall not have surrendered hold Estates. the same to the Use of his Will, no Person entitled or claiming to be entitled thereto by virtue of such Will shall be entitled to be admitted, except upon Payment of all such Stamp Duties, Fees, and Sums of Money as would have been lawfully due and payable in respect of the surrendering of such Real Estate to the Use of the Will, or in respect of presenting, registering, or enrolling such Surrender, if the same Real Estate had been surrendered to the Use of the Will of such Testator : Provided also, that where the Testator was entitled to have been admitted to such Real Estate, and might, if he had been admitted thereto, have surrendered the same to the Use of his Will, and shall not have been admitted thereto, no Person entitled or claiming to be entitled to such Real Estate in consequence of such Will shall be entitled to be admitted to the same Real Estate by virtue thereof, except on Payment of all such Stamp Duties, Fees, Fine, and Sums of Money as would have been lawfully due and payable in respect of the Admittance of such Testator to such Real Estate, and also of all such Stamp Duties, Fees. and Sums of Money as would have been lawfully due and payable in respect of surrendering such Real Estate to the Use of the Will, or of presenting, registering, or enrolling such Sur-render, had the Testator been duly admitted to such Real Estate, and afterwards surrendered the same to the Use of his Will; all which Stamp Duties, Fees, Fine, or Sums of Money due as aforesaid shall be paid in addition to the Stamp Duties, Fees, Fine, or Sums of Money due or payable on the Admittance of such Person so entitled or claiming to be entitled to the same Real Estate as aforesaid.

V. And be it further enacted, That when any Real Estate Wills or Exof the Nature of Customary Freehold or Tenant Right, or tracts of Wills Customary or Copyhold, shall be disposed of by Will, the Lord of Customary Freeholds and of the Manor or reputed Manor of which such Real Estate is Copyholds to holden, or his Steward, or the Deputy of such Steward, shall be entered on cause the Will by which such Disposition shall be made, or so the Court Rolls; much thereof as shall contain the Disposition of such Real Estate, to be entered on the Court Rolls of such Manor or reputed Manor; and when any Trusts are declared by the Will of such Real Estate, it shall not be necessary to enter the De-L 4 claration

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and the Lord to, be entitled to the same Fine, &c. when such Estates are not now devisable as he would have been from the Heir in case of Descent.

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No Will of a Person under Age valid; not of a Feme Covert, except such as might now be made.

Every Will shall be in Writing, and signed by the Testator in the Presence of Two Witnesses at one Time.

Appointments by Will to be executed like other Wills, and to be valid, although other required Solemnities are not observed. claration of such Trusts, but it shall be sufficient to state in the Entry on the Court Rolls that such Real Estate is subject to the Trusts declared by such Will; and when any such Real Estate could not have been disposed of by Will if this Act had not been made, the same Fine, Heriot, Dues, Duties, and Services shall be paid and rendered by the Devisee as would have been due from the Customary Heir in case of the Descent of the same Real Estate, and the Lord shall as against the Devisee of such Estate have the same Remedy for recovering and enforcing such Fine, Heriot, Dues, Duties, and Services as he is now entitled to for recovering and enforcing the same from or against the Customary Heir in case of a Descent.

VI. And be it further enacted, That if no Disposition by Will shall be made of any Estate *pur autre vie* of a Freehold Nature, the same shall be chargeable in the Hands of the Heir, if it shall come to him by reason of special Occupancy, as Assets by Descent, as in the Case of Freehold Land in Fee Simple; and in case there shall be no special Occupant of any Estate *pur autre vie*, whether Freehold or Customary Freehold, Tenant Right, Customary or Copyhold, or of any other Tenure, and whether a corporeal or incorporeal Hereditament, it shall go to the Executor or Administrator of the Party that had the Estate thereof by virtue of the Grant; and if the same shall come to the Executor or Administrator either by reason of a special Occupancy or by virtue of this Act, it shall be Assets in his Hands, and shall go and be applied and distributed in the same Manner as the Personal Estate of the Testator or Intestate.

VII. And be it further enacted, That no Will made by any Person under the Age of Twenty-one Years shall be valid.

VIII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Will made by any Married Woman shall be valid, except such a Will as might have been made by a Married Woman before the passing of this Act.

IX. And be it further enacted, That no Will shall be valid unless it shall be in Writing and executed in manner hereinafter mentioned; (that is to say,) it shall be signed at the Foot or End thereof by the Testator, or by some other Person in his Presence and by his Direction; and such Signature shall be made or acknowledged by the Testator in the Presence of Two or more Witnesses present at the same Time, and such Witnesses shall attest and shall subscribe the Will in the Presence of the Testator, but no Form of Attestation shall be necessary.

X. And be it further enacted, That no Appointment made by Will, in exercise of any Power, shall be valid, unless the same be executed in manner herein-before required; and every Will executed in manner herein-before required shall, so far as respects the Execution and Attestation thereof, be a valid Execution of a Power of Appointment by Will, notwithstanding it shall have been expressly required that a Will made in exercise of such Power should be executed with some additional or other Form of Execution or Solemnity.

XI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That any Soldiers and Mariners Wills Soldier being in actual Military Service, or any Mariner or excepted. Seaman being at Sea, may dispose of his Personal Estate as he might have done before the making of this Act.

XII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not Act not to affect prejudice or affect any of the Provisions contained in an Act certain Provipassed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King & 1W. 4. c. 20. George the Fourth and the First Year of the Reign of His late with respect to Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend Wills of Petty and consolidate the Laws relating to the Pay of the Royal Navy, Seamen and respecting the Wills of Petty Officers and Seamen in the Royal Marines. Navy, and Non-commissioned Officers of Marines, and Marines, so far as relates to their Wages, Pay, Prize Money, Bounty Money, and Allowances, or other Monies payable in respect of Services in Her Majesty's Navy.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That every Will executed in Publication not manner herein-before required shall be valid without any other to be requisite. Publication thereof.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person who Will not to be shall attest the Execution of a Will shall at the Time of the void on account of Incompe-Execution thereof or at any Time afterwards be incompetent tency of atto be admitted a Witness to prove the Execution thereof, testing Witness. such Will shall not on that Account be invalid.

XV. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall Gifts to an atattest the Execution of any Will to whom or to whose Wife or testing Witness Husband any beneficial Devise, Legacy, Estate, Interest, Gift, or Appointment, of or affecting any Real or Personal Estate (other than and except Charges and Directions for the Payment of any Debt or Debts), shall be thereby given or made, such Devise, Legacy, Estate, Interest, Gift, or Appointment shall, so far only as concerns such Person attesting the Execution of such Will, or the Wife or Husband of such Person, or any Person claiming under such Person or Wife or Husband, be utterly null and void, and such Person so attesting shall be admitted as a Witness to prove the Execution of such Will, or to prove the Validity or Invalidity thereof, notwithstanding such Devise, Legacy, Estate, Interest, Gift, or Appointment mentioned in such Will.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in case by any Will Creditor atany Real or Personal Estate shall be charged with any Debt testing to be or Debts, and any Creditor, or the Wife or Husband of any Witness. Creditor, whose Debt is so charged, shall attest the Execution of such Will, such Creditor notwithstanding such Charge shall be admitted a Witness to prove the Execution of such Will, or to prove the Validity or Invalidity thereof.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That no Person shall, Executor to be on account of his being an Executor of a Will, be incompetent admitted a Witness. to be admitted a Witness to prove the Execution of such Will, or a Witness to prove the Validity or Invalidity thereof.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That every Will made by Will to be re-a Man or Woman shall be revoked by his or her Marriage voked by Marriage. (except a Will made in exercise of a Power of Appointment, when

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in default of such Appointment pass to his or her Heir, Customary Heir, Executor, or Administrator, or the Person entitled as his or her next of Kin, under the Statute of Distributions). XIX. And be it further enacted, That no Will shall be re-

voked by any Presumption of an Intention on the Ground of an Alteration in Circumstances.

XX. And be it further enacted, That no Will or Codicil, or any Part thereof, shall be revoked otherwise than as aforesaid, or by another Will or Codicil executed in manner herein-before required, or by some Writing declaring an Intention to revoke the same, and executed in the Manner in which a Will is hereinbefore required to be executed, or by the burning, tearing, or otherwise destroying the same by the Testator, or by some Person in his Presence and by his Direction, with the Intention of revoking the same.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That no Obliteration, Interlineation, or other Alteration made in any Will after the Execution thereof shall be valid or have any Effect, except so far as the Words or Effect of the Will before such Alteration shall not be apparent, unless such Alteration shall be executed in like Manner as herein-before is required for the Execution of the Will; but the Will, with such Alteration as Part thereof, shall be deemed to be duly executed if the Signature of the Testator and the Subscription of the Witnesses be made in the Margin or on some other Part of the Will opposite or near to such Alteration, or at the Foot or End of or opposite to a Memorandum referring to such Alteration, and written at the End or some other Part of the Will.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That no Will or Codicil, or any Part thereof, which shall be in any Manner revoked, shall be revived otherwise than by the Re-execution thereof, or by a Codicil executed in manner herein-before required, and showing an Intention to revive the same; and when any Will or Codicil which shall be partly revoked, and afterwards wholly revoked, shall be revived, such Revival shall not extend to so much thereof as shall have been revoked before the Revocation of the whole thereof, unless an Intention to the contrary shall be shown.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That no Conveyance or other Act made or done subsequently to the Execution of a Will of or relating to any Real or Personal Estate therein comprised, except an Act by which such Will shall be revoked as aforesaid, shall prevent the Operation of the Will with respect to such Estate or Interest in such Real or Personal Estate as the Testator shall have Power to dispose of by Will at the Time of his Death.

XXIV. And be it further enacted, That every Will shall be construed, with reference to the Real Estate and Personal Estate comprised in it, to speak and take effect as if it had been executed immediately before the Death of the Testator, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXV. And

No Will to be revoked by Presumption.

No Will to be revoked but by another Will or Codicil, or by a Writing executed like a Will, or by Destruction.

No Alteration in a Will shall have any Effect unless executed as a Will.

No Will revoked to be revived otherwise than by Reexecution or a Codicil to revive it.

A Devise not to be rendered inoperative by any subsequent Conveyance or Act.

A Will shall be construed to speak from the Death of the Testator.

XXV. And be it further enacted, That, unless a contrary A Residuary Intention shall appear by the Will, such Real Estate or Interest include Estates therein as shall be comprised or intended to be comprised in comprised in any Devise in such Will contained, which shall fail or be void by lapsed and void reason of the Death of the Devisee in the Lifetime of the Devises. Testator, or by reason of such Devise being contrary to Law or otherwise incapable of taking effect, shall be included in the Residuary Devise (if any) contained in such Will.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That a Devise of the Ageneral De-Land of the Testator, or of the Land of the Testator in any vise of the Testator's Lands Place or in the Occupation of any Person mentioned in his Will, shall include or otherwise described in a general Manner, and any other Copyhold and general Devise which would describe a Customary, Copyhold, Leasehold as or Leasehold Estate if the Testator had no Freehold Estate Lands. which could be described by it, shall be construed to include the Customary, Copyhold, and Leasehold Estates of the Testator, or his Customary, Copyhold, and Leasehold Estates, or any of them, to which such Description shall extend, as the Case may be, as well as Freehold Estates, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That a general Devise A general Gift of the Real Estate of the Testator, or of the Real Estate of shall include the Testater in any Place on in the Occupation of any Person Estates over the Testator in any Place or in the Occupation of any Person which the Tesmentioned in his Will, or otherwise described in a general Man- tator has a ner, shall be construed to include any Real Estate, or any Real general Power Estate to which such Description shall extend (as the Case ment, may be), which he may have Power to appoint in any Manner he may think proper, and shall operate as an Execution of such Power, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will; and in like Manner a Bequest of the Personal Estate of the Testator, or any Bequest of Personal Property described in a general Manner, shall be construed to include any Personal Estate, or any Personal Estate to which such Description shall extend (as the Case may be), which he may have Power to appoint in any Manner he may think proper, and shall operate as an Execution of such Power, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXVIII. And be it further enacted, That where any Real A Devise with-Estate shall be devised to any Person without any Words of out any Words Limitation, such Devise shall be construed to pass the Fee of Limitation shall be con-Simple, or other the whole Estate or Interest which the Testator strued to pass had Power to dispose of by Will in such Real Estate, unless a the Fee. contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That in any Devise or The Words Bequest of Real or Personal Estate the Words "die without "die without Issue," or "die without leaving Issue," or "have no Issue," or "die without leaving any other Words which may import either a Want or Failure of Issue," shall be Issue of any Person in his Lifetime or at the Time of his construed to Death, or an indefinite Failure of his Issue, shall be construed mean die with-out Issue living to mean a Want or Failure of Issue in the Lifetime or at the at the Death. Time of the Death of such Person, and not an indefinite Failure of his Issue, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by

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by the Will, by reason of such Person having a prior Estate Tail, or of a preceding Gift, being, without any Implication arising from such Words, a Limitation of an Estate Tail to such Person or Issue, or otherwise: Provided, that this Act shall not extend to Cases where such Words as aforesaid import if no Issue described in a preceding Gift shall be born, or if there shall be no Issue who shall live to attain the Age or otherwise answer the Description required for obtaining a vested Estate by a preceding Gift to such Issue.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That where any Real Estate (other than or not being a Presentation to a Church) shall be devised to any Trustee or Executor, such Devise shall be construed to pass the Fee Simple or other the whole Estate or Interest which the Testator had Power to dispose of by Will in such Real Estate, unless a definite Term of Years, absolute or determinable, or an Estate of Freehold, shall thereby be given to him expressly or by Implication.

XXXI. And be it further enacted, That where any Real Estate shall be devised to a Trustee without any express Limitation of the Estate to be taken by such Trustee, and the beneficial Interest in such Real Estate, or in the surplus Rents and Profits thereof, shall not be given to any Person for Life, or such beneficial Interest shall be given to any Person for Life, but the Purposes of the Trust may continue beyond the Life of such Person, such Devise shall be construed to vest in such Trustee the Fee Simple, or other the whole legal Estate which the Testator had Power to dispose of by Will in such Real Estate, and not an Estate determinable when the Purposes of the Trust shall be satisfied.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That where any Person to whom any Real Estate shall be devised for an Estate Tail or an Estate in quasi Entail shall die in the Lifetime of the Testator leaving Issue who would be inheritable under such Entail, and any such Issue shall be living at the Time of the Death of the Testator, such Devise shall not lapse, but shall take effect as if the Death of such Person had happened immediately after the Death of the Testator, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That where any Person being a Child or other Issue of the Testator to whom any Real or Personal Estate shall be devised or bequeathed for any Estate or Interest not determinable at or before the Death of such Person shall die in the Lifetime of the Testator leaving Issue, and any such Issue of such Person shall be living at the Time of the Death of the Testator, such Devise or Bequest shall not lapse, but shall take effect as if the Death of such Person had happened immediately after the Death of the Testator, unless a contrary Intention shall appear by the Will.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall no extend to any Will made before the First Day of *January* On thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and that every Will re-executed or republished, or revived by any Codicil, shall for the

No Devise to Trustees or Executors, except for a Term or a Presentation to a Church, shall pass a Chattel Interest.

Trustees under an unlimited Devise where the Trust may endure beyond the Life of a Person beneficially entitled] for Life to take the Fee.

Devises of Estates Tail shall not lapse.

Gifts to Children or other Issue who leave Issue living at the Testator's Death shall not lapse.

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the Purposes of this Act be deemed to have been made at the autre vie of Time at which the same shall be so re-executed, republished, or revived; and that this Act shall not extend to any Estate pur autre vie of any Person who shall die before the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

XXXV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall not Act not to exextend to Scotland.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended, Act may be altered, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed in this Session. present Session of Parliament.

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An Act for granting to Her Majesty, until the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

[3d July 1837.]

' Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain ' and Ireland in Parliament assembled, towards raising the ' necessary Supplies to defray Your Majesty's public Expences, ' have freely and voluntarily resolved to give and grant unto ' Your Majesty the Duties herein-after mentioned;' and therefore do most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Duties Duties imposed imposed on Sugar and Molasses by an Act passed in the Sixth by 6 & 7 W. 4. and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King tinued till 5th William the Fourth, intituled An Act for granting to His Ma- July 1838. jesty, until the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, certain Duties on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, shall be further continued until the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

II. And be it enacted, That the Duties hereby continued Duties to be shall be collected, paid, and accounted for in such and the like Manner as if Manner as if the said Duties had been continued to the Fifth continued by Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight by recited Act. the said recited Act.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if at any Time Her Majesty satisfactory Proof shall have been laid before Her Majesty in may allow the Council that the Importation of Foreign Sugar into any British Sugar the Possession within the Limits of the East India Company's Growth of Charter is prohibited, it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by certain British and with the Advice of Her Privy Council, or by Her Majesty's Order in Council to be published from Time to Time in the London

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London Gazette, to allow the Importation of Sugar the Growth of any such British Possession at the lower Rate of Duty in the said Act specified, in like Manner and under the same Restrictions and Conditions as Sugar the Growth of the Presidency of Fort William in Bengal may be imported subject to a lower Rate of Duty under the Provisions of the said recited Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That a distinct and separate Account shall be kept, in the Office of the Comptroller General of the Receipt and Issue of Her Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster, of all the Money that shall be paid to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of England from so much of the said Duties hereby granted on Sugar as shall arise and be payable in Great Britain; and it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of the Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to issue and apply the same from Time to Time to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in this present Session of Parliament; and so much of the said Duties on Sugar as shall arise and be payable in *Ireland* shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer in Ireland, and shall be carried to the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury, at any Time or Times when they shall think fit so to do, to cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of the Exchequer at *Westminster* for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole, including any Sum or Sums of Money issued towards the Aids or Supplies in pursuance of this Act, the Sum of Three Millions, in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are directed and prescribed in and by an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King *George* the Third, intituled *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills.*

VI. And be it enacted, That all and every the Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Four Pounds *per Centum per* Annum upon or in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein.

VIII. And be it declared and enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* to advance

Separate Accounts to be kept in the Exchequer of the Duties arising in Great Britain.

Duties arising in Ireland to be paid into Exchequer there.

The Treasury may direct Exchequer Bills to be made out not exceeding 3,000,0004

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Powers of 48 G. S. c. 1. extended to this Act.

Exchequer Bills to bear an Interest.

Bank of England may advance Money on

advance or lend to Her Majesty, by placing to the Account Credit of this of Her Majesty's Exchequer at the Bank of England, upon Act, not-withstanding the Credit of the Exchequer Bills authorized by this Act, any 5 & 6 W. & M. Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum c. 20. of Three Millions; any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against France, or in any subsequent Act, to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

IX. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Bills to be Commissioners of the Treasury, and they are hereby authorized delivered to Bank of Engand empowered, to cause such Bills as shall be prepared by land as Security virtue of this Act to be delivered from Time to Time to the for Advances. Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in such Proportions as the Public Service may require, as Security for the Advance or Advances which may be made to Her Majesty by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England under the Authority of this Act.

X. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Exchequer Exchequer Bills Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, together with to be charged on the Internet that many houses about the next that the Duties the Interest that may become due thereon, shall be and the granted by same are hereby made chargeable and charged upon the Duties this Act. granted by this Act; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury and they are hereby authorized from Time to Time to direct to be issued to the Paymasters of Exchequer Bills, by way of Imprest and upon Account, such Sums of Money and at such Periods as the said Commissioners shall think necessary, for or towards paying off and discharging the Exchequer Bills which shall have been made forth by virtue of this Act, or any of them, and for and towards paying the Interest to become due on the said Bills or any of them.

XI. And be it enacted, That the Monies remaining unsatis- Money due to be fied or not discharged, with the Interest due or to grow due paid out of next thereon, shall be paid and satisfied out of the next Aid or Aids to be granted in Parliament after the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

XII. And be it enacted, That the Surplus of the Monies Surplus Monies arising from the Duties granted and imposed by this Act, after to be carried to paying off and satisfying all the Exchequer Bills issued by Fund. virtue of this Act, together with the Interest that may become due thereon, shall, as a Surplus of any such Monies respectively, be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

XIII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the allow necess said Commissioners of the Treasury or any Three or more of Charges of them for the Time being, and they are hereby authorized and making forth

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empowered, to pay and allow or cause to be paid and allowed, out of the Monies to arise of or from the said Duties hereby granted, or of or from the said Consolidated Fund, from Time to Time, the necessary Charges of making forth the Exchequer Bills hereby authorized to be made forth, and such other Charges as shall be necessarily incident in or for the Execution of this Act, or any Part thereof, in relation to the said Bills; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That whatever Monies shall be issued out of the said Consolidated Fund shall from Time to Time be replaced by and out of the first Supplies to be thereafter granted by Parliament; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

XV. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

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An Act to amend an Act of the Third and Fourth Years of His late Majesty, for the Limitation of Actions and Suits relating to Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for trying the Rights thereto. [3d July 1837.]

WHEREAS Doubts have been entertained as to the Effect of a certain Act of Parliament made in the Third ' and Fourth Years of His late Majesty King William the ' Fourth, intituled An Act for the Limitation of Actions and Suits ' relating to Real Property, and for simplifying the Remedies for ' trying the Rights thereto, so far as the same relates to Mortgages; and it is expedient that such Doubts should be re-' moved:' Be it declared and enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for any Person entitled to or claiming under any Mortgage of Land, being Land within the Definition contained in the First Section of the said Act, to make an Entry or bring an Action at Law or Suit in Equity to recover such Land at any Time within Twenty Years next after the last Payment of any Part of the Principal Money or Interest secured by such Mortgage, although more than Twenty Years may have elapsed since the Time at which the Right to make such Entry or bring such Action or Suit in Equity shall have first accrued, any thing in the said Act notwithstanding.

Monies issued to be replaced out of first Supplies.

Act may be altered.

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Mortgagees within the Definition in 3 & 4 W. 4. ć. 27. s. 1. may bring Actions to recover Land within 20 Years after last Payment of Principal or Interest.

CAP. XXIX.

An Act for enabling Her Majesty to grant the Rank of General Officers to Foreigners now bearing Her Majesty's Commission, and to permit the Enlistment of Foreigners under certain Restrictions.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, inti-" tuled An Act to amend and continue for One Year, and until 55 G.S.c. 85. Twelve Months after the Termination of the present War by the . Ratification of a definitive Treaty of Peace, Two Acts of His * present Majesty, for enabling Subjects of Foreign States to enlist • and serve as Soldiers in His Majesty's Service; and to enable His Majesty to grant Commissions to Subjects of Foreign States • to serve as Officers, under certain Restrictions, it is provided, • that nothing in that Act contained should extend to any · Officer not being a natural-born Subject of His Majesty, or entitled to the Rights and Privileges of a natural-born Subject. · of His Majesty, who should at the Time of the passing of that Act hold any Commission in any other Regiment, Battalion, or · Corps in His Majesty's Service than in the said recited Acts ' specified, or to prevent any such Officer from continuing to hold such Commission, or to accept and receive any higher Regimental Commission in any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps · of His Majesty's Forces: And whereas it hath been doubted whether the said Act may not extend to prevent Her Majesty 6 from granting to any such Officer any higher or other Rank or Commission than a Regimental Commission; and it is expe-' dient that such Doubts be removed :' Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, if She shall Foreigners think fit, to grant to any Officer not being a natural-born Subject of Her Majesty, but who at the Time of passing the mission may be said recited Act held Her Majesty's Commission in any such promoted to the other Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of Her Majesty's Forces, and was allowed to retain the same under the Provisions of this first-recited Act, the Rank and Commission of Colonel, Major General, Lieutenant General, or General, as to Her Majesty shall seem fit, with the Pay, Emoluments, Allowances, and Advantages belonging to the Rank so granted.

. II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty Foreigners may to signify Her Consent, by the Secretary at War, that any Person enlist or serve in not being a natural-born Subject or entitled to the Privileges the Proportion of One to Fifty. of a natural-born Subject of Her Majesty may enlist or serve as a Soldier in Her Majesty's Service, provided that the Number of Foreigners serving together at any one Time in any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps shall not exceed the Proportion of One Foreigner for every Fifty natural-born Subjects or Men entitled

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entitled to the Privileges of natural-born Subjects; and every Foreign Soldier for whom Her Majesty's Consent shall have been so obtained shall be taken to have been legally enlisted and to be legally serving: Provided also, that no such Soldier shall be capable of holding any higher Rank in Her Majesty's Forces than that of a Non-commissioned Officer.

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extended to helder An Act to abolish certain Offices in the Superior Courts of Common Law, and to make Provision for a more effective and uniform Establishment of Officers in those Courts. [12th July 1837.]

> WHEREAS in Her Majesty's Superior Courts of Common Law at Westminster there are many Officers whose Duties ' have wholly or in part ceased, or are executed by Deputy, and ' whose Offices have become by Changes in the Law useless, ' and inapplicable to the present Practice and Proceedings in ⁴ those Courts, though the Fees in such Offices continue payable ' by the Suitors as heretofore: And whereas by an Act passed ' in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth ' and the First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King "William the Fourth, intituled An Act for regulating the • Receipt and future Appropriation of Fees and Emoluments • receivable by Officers of the Superior Courts of Common Law, • the net annual Value of certain of such Offices has been ascer-4 tained, and the Persons who were the Holders thereof prior ' to the Twenty-fourth Day of May One thousand eight hun-' dred and thirty are compensated in Manner and Form by ' that Statute pointed out: And whereas the Continuance of ' sinecure and useless Offices tends to impair the effective Administration of Justice, and to cast upon the Public and the ' Suitors in those Courts unnecessary Burthens and Costs; and ' it is expedient to abolish the said Offices, and to make Pro-' vision for a more uniform and effective Establishment of · Officers in each of the Superior Courts of Common Law:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight the Offices mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, marked (A.), on the Plea Side of the Courts of Queen's Bench and Exchequer, and in the Court of Common Pleas, shall be and the same are hereby abolished.

> II. 'And whereas the Duties of the Clerk of Errors in the · Court of Exchequer Chamber are so much diminished as to ' render it inexpedient any longer to continue a separate Office ' for the Performance thereof;' be it further enacted, That from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight the said Office of Clerk of the Errors in the Court

11 G. 4. & 1 W. 4. c. 58.

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Court of Exchequer Chamber shall be and the same is hereby abolished; and all Acts, Duties, and Services now and heretofore done, performed, and rendered by the said Officer shall continue to be done, performed, and rendered by the Masters of the respective Courts from which Error is brought, or any One or more of them; and such Acts, Duties, and Services when so done, performed, and rendered by the said Masters or their Successors, or any One or more of them, shall be good and valid in Law to all Intents and Purposes; and all lawful Powers and Authorities now and heretofore vested in or exercised by the said Clerk of Errors in the Court of Exchequer Chamber, by virtue or in right of his Office, shall be exercised by the said Masters, or any One or more of them.

III. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said Certain Per-First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty- sons appointed eight there shall be in each of the said Courts respectively, to Principal conduct the Civil Business thereof, Five principal Officers, and Officers of the no more, to be called respectively the Masters of each of the said Courts. said Courts; and the Persons mentioned in the Schedule to this Act annexed, marked (B.), shall be and the same are hereby appointed and declared to be such Masters in each of the said Courts respectively.

IV. Provided always, and it is hereby further declared and Henry Belenacted, That Henry Belward Ray Esquire shall hold and enjoy ward Ray, Esq. the said Appointment or Office of First Master of the Court Master of the of Common Pleas during the same Term, and with and under Common Pleas. and subject to the same Estate, Title, and Tenure, as he heretofore held the Office of Prothonotary of the Court of Common Pleas, and with all and every the Incidents, Rights, Powers, Authorities, and Privileges which heretofore belonged, were attached, or incident to the said Office, except so far as is specifically enacted by this Act, or so far as such Rights, Powers, Authorities, or Privileges may be incompatible or inconsistent with the Enactments herein contained, or any of the Duties or Obligations hereby imposed.

V. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said Masters of the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty- said Courts to eight all Acts, Duties, and Services now and heretofore done, Duties and performed, and rendered by the said Officers abolished by this exercise all the Act, or any of them, in their respective Offices in the said Powers and Courts, shall continue to be done, performed, and rendered the Officers by the Masters hereby appointed in each of those Courts, or abolished by their Successors, or any One or more of them; and such Acts, this Act. Duties, and Services, when so done, performed, and rendered by the said Masters or their Successors, or any One or more of them, shall be good and valid in Law to all Intents and Purposes; and all lawful Powers and Authorities now and heretofore vested in or exercised by the Officers so abolished as aforesaid, or any of them, by virtue or in right of any Office by them held in either of the said Courts, shall be and the same are hereby vested in and shall be exercised by the Masters of those Courts respectively, or by any One or more of them. M 2 VI. And

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VI. 'And whereas it is expedient that a new Table or

Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury empowered to direct the drawing up a Table of Fees.

3 G. 4. c. 69.

• Tables of the Fees proper to be taken in the Superior Courts ' of Common Law at Westminster should be prepared with 6 reference to the various Changes and Alterations which have • taken place in the Process, Practice, and Proceedings of those · Courts, and to the Diminution of Expence, where practicable, ' to the Suitors: And whereas by an Act passed in the Third ' Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to enable the Judges of the several Courts of Record at West-' minster to make Regulations respecting the Fees of the Officers, " Clerks, and Ministers of the said Courts, it was enacted, that it should be lawful for any Three or more of the Judges of the · Courts of King's Bench, Common Pleas, Exchequer, and ⁶ Exchequer Chamber respectively, to establish and ordain, by ⁶ their Discretion, Tables of Fees to be thereafter taken by the ' several Officers, Clerks, and Ministers of the same respective · Courts, and by the Clerks and Officers of the Judges thereof ' respectively, and that the Fees so established and ordained ' should be deemed and taken to be the lawful Fees of such · Officers, Clerks, and Ministers respectively: And whereas, ⁶ owing to the numerous and important Duties and Avocations ' of the said Judges, no such Regulations respecting Fees have ' yet been or are likely to be made, but the ancient and unsuit-• able Fees still continue to be taken from the Suitors in the said ' Courts;' be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury and they are hereby required to direct and instruct the Commissioners appointed under the before-recited Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth and the First of His said late Majesty, or such of them as they may think proper, forthwith to prepare and draw up a Table or Tables of the Fees proper to be demanded and taken in the Superior Courts of Common Law, to be laid for their Approval before the Judges of the said Courts; and the said Judges are hereby empowered and required, before the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to revise the said Table or Tables of Fees so prepared as aforesaid, and to add to, or reduce, alter, or amend the same, as they may deem necessary and proper, and the said Table or Tables of Fees so revised and corrected as aforesaid to allow and sanction, by affixing their Signatures respectively thereto, and to establish the same in and for the said Courts; which Tables of Fees shall be entered or enrolled in the public Books or Records of the Courts to which they respectively relate, in such Manner as the Judges of the said Courts shall think fit; and the Fees so established and ordained, and no other, shall, from and after the said First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, be deemed and taken to be the lawful Fees to be thenceforth demanded, received, and taken in the said Courts respectively.

Records, &c. of abolished Offices transVII. And be it further enacted, That all the Records, Books, Papers, and Documents of and concerning the Duties and Busi-5 ness

ness of the several Offices of the Courts of Queen's Bench, ferred to the Common Pleas, and Exchequer, so abolished as aforesaid, shall, on or before the said First Day of January One thousand eight be made and hundred and thirty-eight, be delivered by the several Officers Copies taken as of the said Courts respectively now having the Custody of the heretofore. same into the Custody and Possession of the Masters of the said Courts respectively appointed or to be appointed under or by virtue of this Act, to be by them kept and preserved; and Searches may be made, and Copies or Extracts of and from the said Records, Books, Papers, and Documents shall and may be had and taken, at such Times and in such Manner as hath been the accustomed Practice in the several Offices hereby abolished; and all such Copies or Extracts signed and authenticated by One or more of the said Masters of the said Courts respectively shall be as available in Evidence and as valid and effectual to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been signed, authenticated, and given by the Officers whose Offices are hereby abolished, or any of them, subject nevertheless to such Rules, Orders, and Regulations as the said Courts shall or may from Time to Time make or ordain in respect of the same.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Chief Clerk of the Certain Officers Court of Queen's Bench, the Prothonotaries of the Court of whose Offices Common Pleas, and the Masters and Prothonotaries of the Court are abolished to of Exchequer, whose Offices are abolished by this Act, shall Masters under and they are hereby mainted and they are hereby required, on or before the said First this Act all Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, Suitors Mone to pay over to the Masters of the said Courts respectively in their Handa, appointed by this Act all and every Sum and Sums of Money to be by such which shall at any Time theretofore have been paid into the into the Bank said respective Courts by or on behalf of Suitors, to abide the of England. Event of any Suit, or for any Purpose whatsoever, and which shall then remain unclaimed and undisposed of in the Hands and Possession of the said Chief Clerk of the Court of Queen's Bench, or the said Prothonotaries of the Court of Common. Pleas, or the said Masters and Prothonotaries of the Court of Exchequer; and the said last-mentioned Officers respectively shall and they are hereby required, at the Time of their paying over the said Monies to the Masters of the said Courts respectively as aforesaid, to render to such Masters an Account thereof, showing the precise Amount paid into Court in each Action, the Names of the Plaintiff and Defendant, and of their Attornies, and the Time when, and by whom, and the Purpose, so far as the same can be ascertained, for which the said Amount was so paid in, which Account the said Masters shall cause to be entered in Books to be kept in their Offices respectively for that Purpose; and the Masters of the said Courts respectively shall and they are hereby required immediately after the Receipt of such Sum. or Sums of Money to pay the same into the Bank of England to . an Account to be opened by the Masters of the said Courts respectively in the Books of the Governor and Company of that Bank, to be called the "Account of the Suitors Fund of the Court of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, or Exchequer," as the M 3 Case

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Masters; and Searches may

Balances of Masters paid Case may be, which Accounts respectively the Governor and Company of the Bank of England are hereby authorized and required to open in their Books accordingly.

IX. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight the Masters of the said Courts respectively shall cause all and every Sum or Sums of Money paid into the said Courts by or on the Behalf of the Suitors in either of those Courts, to abide the Event of the Suit, or for any other Purpose whatsoever, to be entered in proper Books to be kept for that Purpose, and shall as soon as conveniently may be pay all and every such Sum or Sums of Money into the Bank of England to the Credit of their respective Accounts of the Suitors Fund to be opened as aforesaid; and the Masters of the said Courts respectively, or any Two or more of them, shall and they are hereby authorized and required to draw on the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England for any Sum or Sums of Money so paid in as aforesaid, at the Commencement of this Act or afterwards, which the Masters of the said Courts respectively may require for the Purposes of any Suit pending in their respective Courts; and the said Governor and Company of the Bank of England are hereby authorized and required to pay all such Sums of Money as may be so drawn for by any Order signed by the Masters of the said Courts respectively, or any Two or more of them.

X. And be it further enacted, That when and so often as any Vacancy shall occur in any of the said Offices of Master in either of the said Superior Courts of Common Law, by Death, Resignation, or otherwise, it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court in which such Vacancy shall occur to nominate and appoint some fit and proper Person to fill such vacant Office, such Person being a Barrister in actual Practice of not less than Five Years standing at the Bar, or who shall have practised as a Pleader for not less than Five Years, or an admitted Attorney in all or any one of those Courts in actual Practice of not less than Five Years standing on the Rolls of such Court, or who shall have served as Officers or Clerks in either of the said Offices hereby abolished, or as Clerks in either of the Offices of the said Masters, or as both, for not less than Five Years in the whole: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to affect the Rights of Appointment of certain of the Masters on the Plea Side of the Court of Exchequer, now vested in William Stewart Rose Esquire under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Second and Third Years of the Reign 2&3W.4. c.110. of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act for the better Regulation of the Duties to be performed by the Officers on the Plea Side of the Court of Exchequer.

> XI. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That upon the Death, Resignation, or Removal of either of the Masters of the said Courts appointed by this Act, the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron in whose Court the Vacancy shall

All Monies deposited in Court by Suitors at or after the Commencement of this Act to be paid into the Bank of England, and drawn out by the Order of Two or more of the Masters of each Court.

The Lord Chief Justices or the Lord Chief Baron of the said Courts respectively to appoint to future Vacan cies in the Office of Masters.

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shall occur shall not be at liberty to fill up such Vacancy to Appointment unless it shall be certified in Writing to the Commissioners of as berein Her Majesty's Treasury, under the Hand of such Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron, that, after minute Inquiry, it appears to the said Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron, and to the other Judges of their respective Courts, that it is absolutely necessary for the efficient and satisfactory Conduct of the Business of the Court that the full Number of Five Masters in such Court should be retained; and such Certificate shall forthwith be laid before both Houses of Parliament if Parliament shall be then sitting, if not, within Seven Days after the assembling thereof; and no such Appointment of any such Master shall take place by such Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron until Ten Days after such Certificate shall have been so laid before both Houses of Parliament as aforesaid, any thing in this Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

'XII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the The necessary said First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and Clerks and thirty-eight the Masters of each of the said Courts hereby the Masters appointed, and their Successors, shall and may, in and for the Office to be Discharge of the Duties of their Offices, have so many Clerks appointed by the Masters; and Messengers as the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court for the Time being to which such Masters respectively belong shall determine to be necessary and proper; and all such Clerks and Messengers shall and may be appointed by the Majority of the Masters of the said Courts respectively, with the Sanction and Approval of the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court to which such Masters shall belong: Provided always, that so many of the Persons who now hold a Preference any Office abolished by this Act, or are now employed therein, being given as may be needful, shall be appointed as such Clerks and sons who are Messengers, if they shall be found willing and competent to now employed execute the Duties required of them, in preference to any Per- in the said sons who shall not have held such abolished Offices, or been so employed prior to the passing of this Act.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That all such Appoint- Appointments ments of Masters, Clerks, or Messengers to be made by virtue to be made of this Act shall be so made by the Lord Chief Justice or Lord without any Chief Baron, or by the Masters of the said Courts respectively, sideration; the without any pecuniary or other Consideration whatsoever, Masters during directly or indirectly, to be paid or received for the same; and good Beha the Persons appointed or to be appointed as such Masters by Clerks and virtue of this Act shall hold their Offices during the good Messengers Behaviour of the Persons so appointed; and the Persons to be during Pleasure. appointed by virtue of this Act as such Clerks and Messengers shall hold their Offices or Situations during Pleasure; and all such Masters, Clerks, and Messengers shall execute their Duties in Person, and shall give their Attendance in Court or elsewhere, and shall conduct the Business of their several Departments or Offices at such Places and Hours, whether in Term Time or Vacation, and in every respect in such Manner as the Lord Chief Justice or the Lord Chief Baron and the other Justices M 4 and

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and Barons of the said Courts respectively shall from Time to Time order and direct.

XIV. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That if either of the said Masters shall from Sickness, or other unavoidable Cause, have Occasion to be absent from the Business of his Office for a longer Period than Two Months at any one Time, then and in every such Case it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron for the Time being of the Court to which such Master shall belong to give Leave of Absence, by his Order in Writing, to such Officer, and, if necessary, to appoint a Deputy in his Place during such Time as shall be expressed in such Order, and the Name of such Deputy, and also the Cause and Time of such Absence, shall be stated in such Order; and such Deputy may, if Occasion require it, be changed by the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron; and every Deputy so appointed shall be paid by the Principal for whom he shall act such Remuneration for his Services as the said Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron shall direct in such Order, not being in any Case less than One Third of the Amount herein-after fixed and settled as the Salary of the Office of a Master of the said Courts respectively.

XV. And be it further enacted, That no Person holding such Office of Master in any of the said Superior Courts, or being a Clerk or Messenger in any of the said Masters Offices, shall either directly or indirectly act as a Barrister, Attorney, or Solicitor, or as Agent of any Attorney or Solicitor, in any Court of Law or Equity in the United Kingdom, either separately or in Partnership with any other, during such Time as he shall hold such Office of Master or act as such Clerk or Messenger: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall operate to prevent any Attorney or Solicitor, or Agent of any Attorney or Solicitor, now practising in any Court of Law or Equity, and employed in any Office abolished by this Act, and who may be appointed to act as Clerk or Messenger under this Act, from continuing to practise as such Attorney, Solicitor, or Agent, notwithstanding such Appointment.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That the Masters of the said Courts of Queen's Bench, Common Pleas, and Exchequer réspectively shall receive, by way of Salary, for performing the Duties of their respective Offices the Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds per Annum each, to commence and be computed from the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and to be paid and be payable quarterly, namely, on the Thirty-first Day of March, the Thirtieth Day of June, the Thirtieth Day of September, and the Thirtyfirst Day of *December* in every Year, together with a proportional Part of such annual Sum for the Term which at the Decease of the Person entitled thereto shall have elapsed since the last Payment thereof: Provided always, that those Persons appointed by this Act or who may be hereafter appointed as such Masters, and who are now entitled to and are in the Receipt of Compensation Allowance awarded to them under the Provisions

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Salaries of the Masters fixed.

visions of an Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of 11 G. 4. & King George the Fourth and the First Year of the Reign of 1 W. 4. c. 58. His said late Majesty, intituled An Act for regulating the Receipt and future Appropriation of Fees and Emoluments receivable by Officers of the Superior Courts of Common Law, exceeding the Salary of One thousand two hundred Pounds per Annum, shall continue to receive the full Amount of such Compensation Allowance by way of Salary so long as they shall respectively hold the Office of Master as aforesaid; and in Cases wherein the Compensation Allowance under the said Act is less than the Salary hereby granted to the Masters of the said Courts respectively, such Compensation Allowance shall merge and be considered as Part of and included in the said Salary of One thousand two hundred Pounds per Annum : Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend or be construed to extend to deprive Stephen Richards, Kenrick Collett, Thomas Dax, Edmund Walker, and George Chilton, Esquires, the present Principal Officers on the Plea Side of the Court of Exchequer, of the Amount of official Income and Salary which they are now in the Receipt of respectively, so long as they shall hold the Office of Masters under this Act, but that the said Persons shall continue in the Enjoyment of the same official Income by way of Salary which they now respectively receive during all the Time they respectively hold such Offices of Masters under this Act.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That the Clerks and Mes- Salaries of sengers who shall be appointed as herein-before directed to dis- Clerks and charge the Duties of the Offices of the Masters of the said Courts respectively shall receive by way of Salary for the Performances Lord Chief Jusof the said Duties such annual Sum as the Lord Chief Justice tice or Lord or the Lord Chief Baron of the said Courts respectively, and the Courts rethe Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, shall from Time spectively and to Time fix and determine, and such Salaries shall commence the Lords of and be computed from the said First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and shall be paid and payable quarterly, namely, on the Thirty-first Day of March, the Thirtieth Day of June, the Thirtieth Day of September, and the Thirty-first Day of December in every Year, together with a proportional Part of such annual Sum for the Time which at the Decease of the Person entitled thereto shall have elapsed since the last Payment thereof: Provided always, that if any of the Persons appointed as Clerks or Messengers under the Provisions of this Act shall be entitled to and in the Receipt of Compensation Allowance awarded to them under the hereinbefore recited Act, which shall exceed the Amount of Salary fixed and determined as aforesaid, such Persons shall be entitled to and shall receive the full Amount of such Compensation Allowance by way of Salary so long as they shall respectively hold their Offices or Situations under this Act; and in Cases wherein such Compensation Allowance shall be less than the Amount of Salary so fixed and determined, the same shall merge and be considered as Part of and included in the said Salary.

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Compensation Allowances by way of Salary herein-before granted

to the several Masters of the said Courts respectively, and also

the Salaries and Compensation Allowances by way of Salary

which shall and may be granted to the several Clerks and

Messengers in the Offices of the Masters under the Provisions

of this Act, together with the necessary and unavoidable Ex-

pences of the said Offices respectively, shall be paid and payable

out of and be charged and chargeable upon the Fees received

by the Masters in the said Courts respectively; and the Surplus

the Receipt of the Exchequer to the Credit of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, at such Times and in such Manner as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being shall think proper to direct; and in the Event of the Fees so received by the Masters of any one of the said Courts being at any Time insufficient to defray the said Salaries and other necessary Expences, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized and required, to direct the Amount of such Deficiency to be charged upon and paid out of the said Consolidated

XIX. And be it further enacted, That if any Master of the

said Courts respectively appointed or to be appointed under

or by virtue of this Act, or any Person whatever employed

in the Offices of the said Masters, shall for any thing done or

pretended to be done relating to his Office or Employment, or under colour of doing any thing relating to his Office or Employment, or for forbearing to do any Act properly appertaining to his said Office, demand, take, receive, or accept, or allow any Person whatsoever to take for him or on his Account, or for or on account of or in trust for him or any other Person named by him, any Gratuity, Perquisite, or Reward, or any Thing of Value, other than the lawful Fees and Emoluments herein-before directed to be taken and received and accounted for as aforesaid, or other than the Salary or Remuneration allowed or to be allowed to every such Master or Person aforesaid, it shall be lawful for the said Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court to which such Master or Person shall belong, and he is hereby empowered and required, upon his being satisfied that the Person charged is guilty of so offending, to remove him from his Office or Employment; and the Person so removed shall be and is hereby rendered incapable for ever thereafter of holding any Office, Situation, or Employment in the said Courts respectively, or of otherwise serving Her Majesty, Her Heirs or

Salaries of Masters, &c. and Expences of Offices to be paid out of the Fees, if sufficient; but if not, Deficiency to be charged upon the Čonsolidated Fund; and Surplus of Fees to be paid into that Fund. of such Fees arising in each of the said Courts, after the Payment of the said Salaries and Expences, shall be paid into

Masters, Clerks, and Messengers not to take Gratuities on pain of Dismissal.

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Masters to keep Books of Account, and render Accounts quarterly to Tressury.

Successors, in any Manner whatsoever. XX. And be it further enacted, That the Masters of the said Courts respectively shall cause all Fees received by them, and all Disbursements made thereout for Salaries and other necessary Expences, to be duly and regularly entered in One or more

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more Books to be kept for that Purpose in their Offices, distinguishing the Fees received under their several Heads, and also the Particulars and Amount of every Disbursement; and shall quarterly, within One Month after the Thirty-first Day of March, the Thirtieth Day of June, the Thirtieth Day of September, and the Thirty-first Day of December in every Year, render a true and faithful Account in Writing to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being of all such Fees and Disbursements, in such Form of Account, and with such Particulars of Receipt or otherwise, and accompanied by such Vouchers, as the said Commissioners shall from Time to Time think proper to require and direct; and if upon the Examination of any such Account it shall appear to the said Commissioners that any Fees have not been duly accounted for, or that any unreasonable or improper Charge or Deduction has been made in such Account, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners finally to settle and adjust the same in such Way as they may think reasonable and proper, and the Masters of the said Courts by whom such Account shall have been rendered shall and they are hereby required to alter and amend the said Account accordingly: Provided always, that the Masters of the said Courts respectively shall submit their Books of Account to the Inspection of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Person or Persons whom they may employ for that Purpose, whenever the said Masters shall be required so to do.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That every Person appointed Allowance to or to be appointed under the Provisions of this Act as a Master Masters and of the said Courts respectively, or as a Clerk or Messenger in on their Retirethe Offices of any of such Masters, and who was entitled to ment from and has received Compensation or Salary in respect of the Office. formerly held by him under the Act herein-before mentioned passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth and the First Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, or under that Act and any other Act or Acts of Parliament regulating or relating to his Office or Situation, who shall hereafter resign his Office or Situation, giving Two Months Notice in Writing of such Resignation to the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court to which he shall belong, shall be entitled to receive, during his Life, such annual Sum as the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall think proper to fix and appoint, not exceeding in any Case the net annual Value of the Office or Situation formerly held by him, and not being less in any Case than Three Fourths thereof, provided that such annual Sum shall exceed the Superannuation Allowance to be ascertained as herein-after mentioned; and every Person appointed or to be appointed to any Situation as aforesaid under this Act, where such annual Sum shall amount to a less Sum than the Superannuation Allowance to be ascertained as herein-after mentioned, or who was not entitled to and has not received Compensation in respect of any former Office held by him under the Provisions of the said Act, and who shall hereafter resign his Office or Situation with the Sanction and under

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under the Authority of the Lord Chief Justice or Lord Chief Baron of the Court to which he shall belong in consequence of his being incapable, from Infirmity of Mind or Body, to discharge the Duties thereof, shall be entitled to receive such Superannuation Allowance as the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall think proper to direct; and in ascertaining and awarding the Amount of such Superannuation Allowance the said Commissioners shall take into consideration the whole Period during which any such Person shall have been permanently employed in any Office or Situation in either of the said Courts, or in any other public Office or Situation prior to the passing of this Act, and shall proceed according to the Principles laid down by an Act passed in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act to alter, amend, and consolidate the Laws for regulating the Pensions, Compensations, and Allowances to be made to Persons in respect of their having held Civil Offices in His Majesty's Service; and all such Sums and Allowances which shall be so awarded and granted under the Authority aforesaid shall be paid and payable and be charged and chargeable in the same Way as is hereinbefore provided in respect of the Salaries of the Masters, Clerks, and Messengers of the said Courts respectively, and the necessary Expences of the said Offices.

XXII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That in the event of any Reduction being hereafter made in the Number of the Masters, Clerks, or Messengers created or authorized by this Act, the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Chief Baron, and Masters of the said Courts respectively for the Time being shall not be entitled to Compensation for the Loss of any Right of Appointment vested in them or either of them by virtue of this Act.

XXIII. 'And whereas it would tend to the Despatch of ' Business, and would assimilate the Practice and promote ' Uniformity in the Allowance of Costs, if the Masters of the said · Courts appointed or to be appointed under this Act were em-6 powered to tax Costs which have arisen or may arise in each ' of the said Courts indiscriminately;' be it therefore enacted, That from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the Masters of the said Courts appointed or to be appointed as aforesaid are hereby authorized, empowered, and required, subject to such Rules and Orders as herein-after mentioned, to tax all Bills of Costs indiscriminately which shall have arisen or which may arise in Cases of a Civil Nature in any of the said Courts, or in the Court of Error in the Exchequer Chamber, although such Costs may not have arisen in respect of Business done in the Court to which such Masters may belong; and the Judges of the said Courts, or any Eight or more of them, of whom the Chiefs of each of the said Courts shall be Three, shall and they are hereby required, by any Rule or Order to be from Time to Time made, either in Term or Vacation, to establish such Regulations as may be necessary for the Purpose of enforcing Uniformity of Practice in the Allowance of

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No Compensation allowed for Loss of Right of Appointment.

Masters empowered and required to tax Costs indiscriminately in the said Courts. Cap. 30.

of Costs in the Common Law Courts, and of ensuring as far as may be practicable an equal Division of the Business of Taxation amongst the Masters of the said Courts; and such Judges shall appoint some convenient Place in which the said Business of Taxation shall be transacted for all the said Courts.

XXIV. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth Year Treasury em-' of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled powered to ' An Act to abolish the Sale of Offices in the Court of King's Bench pensation to ' in England, to make Provision for the Lord Chief Justice of the certain Persons ' said Court, and to grant an additional Annuity to the said Lord for the Loss of Chief Justice on Resignation of his Office, it was recited, that Appointment ' the several Offices of Clerk of the Rules on the Plea Side, to Offices Clerk of the Papers on the Plea Side, Clerk of the Declarations, abolished by this Act. ' Clerk of the Common Bails, Estreats, and Posteas, and Clerk 6 G. 4. c. 82. ' of the Dockets, all in the Court of King's Bench, were in the ' Gift of the Chief Clerk of the said Court, and were deemed to ' be saleable by him; and also that the Offices of the Clerks of • the Inner and Outer Treasury, Clerks of Nisi Prius in London ' and other Cities, and on the several Circuits, and Bagbearer ' on the Plea Side, also in the Court of King's Bench, were ' in the Gift of the Custos Brevium of the said Court, and were deemed to be saleable by him, and that it was expedient to ' abolish the Sale of such Offices, without Prejudice however to ' ' the Rights of any of the Persons then holding the same, or ' having the Right of Appointment thereto: And whereas by another Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to 6 G.4. c. 83. abolish the Sale of Offices in the Court of Common Pleas in ' England, to make Provision for the Lord Chief Justice of the ' said Court, and to grant an additional Annuity to the said Lord ' Chief Justice on Resignation of his Office, it was recited that the ⁴ Offices of Second Prothonotary and Clerk of the Juries were appointed by the Lord Chief Justice on the Nomination of the · Custos Brevium, and that each of the .Three Prothonotaries of ' the said Court had the Appointment of One Secondary, and such Rights of Appointments were continued to the Persons then ' in Possession of the said Offices of Custos Brevium and Pro-' thonotaries respectively: And whereas the Persons who were so respectively declared by the said recited Acts to be in ' Possession of the Right of Sale, Nomination, or Appointment ' in and to the several Offices mentioned in the said Acts are ' still possessed of and have continued to exercise the said 4 Rights: And whereas the Office of Signer of the Writs in ' the Court of Queen's Bench is also in the Gift, Nomination, ' or Appointment of the Chief Clerk of the said Court: And ' whereas all the said Offices will be abolished by this Act, and ' it is only just and reasonable that Provision should be made ' for granting Compensation upon equitable Principles for all ' Injury to or Loss of the same;' be it further enacted, That if since the said Twenty-fourth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty any Party or Parties shall, in the Exercise of any such Right, have been nominated or appointed to any Office or

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or Offices so declared to be the Subject of such Right, or if any such Office shall be now vacant by Death, or the Party now holding any such Office shall hereafter die, it shall and may be lawful for the Person or Persons possessed as aforesaid of the Right of Sale, Nomination, or Appointment in and to such Office or Offices respectively, or to whom but for this Act such Right would have come by virtue of any Interest now vested, except as regards Compensation for the Interest to which any such Instrument as herein-after mentioned shall relate, or for the Person or Persons in whose Favour any such Right may have been exercised, to apply to the Lord High Treasurer or the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for Compensation for the Loss of the aforesaid Right of Sale, Nomination, or Appointment in and to such Office or Offices respectively, or for any Injury affecting such Office or Offices, or for the Loss of such Office or Offices by the Abolition thereof under this Act; and in every such Case the said Lord High Treasurer or any Three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall forthwith examine into such Application by all and every such Means as he or they shall think proper; and thereupon it shall and may be lawful for him or them and they are hereby required to order and direct, by Warrant under his or their Hands, that such annual or gross Sum by way of Compensation shall be paid to or to the Use of such Person or Persons, and at such Time or Times respectively as the said Lord High Treasurer or the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall in his or their Discretion deem just and equitable, regard being had to the Value of such Offices as ascertained and certified under the Provisions of the aforesaid Act of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth and the First Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty; and all such Compensations, whether annual or in gross, shall be issued and paid and payable (without any Fee or Deduction whatsoever) out of and be charged and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland : Provided always, that if upon the Death of any of the Officers now holding for Life any of the Offices abolished by this Act, any Person shall be able to prove to the Satisfaction of the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasurv for the Time being, that he would in such Event have been entitled, under any Instrument of a Date prior to the said Twenty-fourth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty, to be appointed to succeed to such Office if the same had not been abolished by this Act, it shall be lawful for the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being to award Compensation to such Person upon equitable Principles, having regard to all the Circumstances of the Case; and such Compensation, when awarded, shall be payable out of the Consolidated Fund in manner aforesaid: Provided also, that an Account of all Compensations granted shall, within Fourteen Days next after the same shall have been granted as aforesaid, be laid before the Commons House

House of Parliament, if Parliament shall be then assembled, or if Parliament shall not be then assembled, then within Fourteen Days after the Meeting of Parliament then next following: Provided also, that all the lawful Powers and Authorities by which the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are authorized to purchase any of the Offices, Rights, or Interests in this or any other Act mentioned or referred to, shall continue in full Force and Effect, notwithstanding the Abolition of the said Offices, Rights, or Interests by this or any other Act or Acts.

XXV. ' And whereas by the Act herein-before recited, ' passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth and First Year of the Reign of His said late sation to certain ' Majesty, certain Officers belonging to the Superior Courts Officers of the of Common Law, who were appointed prior to the Twenty- court of Com-' fourth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty, were in Office ' are entitled to receive Compensation for any Loss, thereafter prior to 24th ' sustained by them in their Fees and Emoluments in conse-· quence of the Amendments and Alterations in the Process, · Practice, Pleadings, and other Proceedings of the said Courts : And whereas by another Act passed in the First and Second · Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, to explain and ' amend the same Act, the Warden of the Fleet Prison was · declared to be within the true Intent and Meaning of the said first-mentioned Statute, but no Provision was made for the several Persons holding the Offices of Clerk of the Papers ' in the said Prison, and the Tipstaffs of the Court of Common · Pleas, who were severally appointed to their Offices by the said Warden prior to the said Twenty-fourth Day of May ' One thousand eight hundred and thirty: And whereas the ⁴ Clerk of the Papers at the Queen's Bench Prison, and the • Tipstaffs of the Court of Queen's Bench, have been and now · are compensated under the Provisions of the said first-recited • Act, and it is only just and reasonable that the same Descrip-• tion of Officers in the Court of Common Pleas, whose Duties • and Emoluments are similar in their Nature to those attached ' to the Court of Queen's Bench, should be placed upon the ' same Footing;' be it therefore enacted, That the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall ascertain the gross and net annual Value of the Offices of the said Clerk of the Papers at the Fleet Prison, and the Tipstaffs of the Court of Common Pleas respectively, according to a fair Average of the lawful Fees and Emoluments of such Offices for a Period of Ten Years next preceding the Twenty-fourth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty, or such other Average of Years as the said Commissioners may think proper, and according to the same Rules and Principles as were adopted by the Commissioners in ascertaining the Value of other Offices in the Superior Courts of Common Law under the Provisions of the said recited Acts; and in case the net Amount of the Fees and Emoluments actually received by either of the said Officers has in any Year, since the said Twentyfourth

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fourth Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty, fallen short, or shall hereafter fall short of the net annual Value of their Offices as aforesaid, every such Officer shall be entitled to receive from and after the said Twenty-fourth Day of May, and so long as he or they shall continue in Office, from the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, the full Amount of the Difference between the net Sum actually received by such Officer and the net Value of his Office; and the Amount so to be paid shall be charged and chargeable and be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in the same Way as other Officers belonging to the Superior Courts of Common Law are now paid; and in case the net Amount of the lawful Fees and Emoluments actually received by either of the said Officers in any Year since the said Twenty-fourth Day of May has exceeded or shall hereafter exceed the net annual Value of their Offices ascertained as aforesaid, the Surplus shall be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer, to the Credit of the Consolidated Fund, at such Times and in such Manner as the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury shall think proper to direct.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That the Provisions and Powers contained in the before recited Act passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth and the First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act for regulating the Receipt and future Appropriation of Fees and Emoluments receivable by Officers of the Superior Courts of Common Law, shall, so far as the same is applicable, extend to all Cases in which any Office shall be abolished by the Authority of this or any subsequent Act, and the Person, his Heirs, Executors, or Administrators, who in case such Office were not abolished would, under the Provisions of the last-recited Act, have been entitled to receive the Difference between the net Amount of the Fees and Emoluments which would have become due in such Office and the certified Value thereof, or who under that Act and any other Act or Acts of Parliament relating to his Office or Situation would have been entitled to receive any Compensation, Salary, or official Income, shall be entitled, from the Time of the Abolition of such Office, to receive the full Amount of such certified Value, Compensation, Salary, or official Income in Four equal quarterly Payments, on the Fifth Days of April, July, and January, and the Tenth Day of October in each Year, to be paid and payable out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom, without any Fee or Deduction whatsoever, until a full and fair Compensation shall have been fixed and appointed for such Person under the Powers and Provisions of the said recited Act; and when such Compensation shall have been so fixed and appointed for such abolished Office, the same shall be in like Manner a Charge upon and shall be paid out of the said Consolidated Fund, without any Fee or Deduction whatever, by such equal quarterly Payments as last aforesaid, together with a proportional Part of

Persons whose Offices are abolished to receive full Amount of Compensation under 11 G. 4. & 1 W. 4. c. 58. until the Treasury shall otherwise determine under the Provision of that Act.

of such annual Sum for the Time which at the Decease of the Person entitled thereto shall have elapsed since the last Payment thereof.

XXVII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in fixing In fixing Comthe Amount of Compensation to be awarded under the said last- pensation regard recited Act due regard shall be had to the different Circum- Nature of the stances of the several Offices abolished by this Act, and to the Offices abo-Nature and Extent of the Duties from which the Persons holding lished. certain of such Offices will be relieved by the Abolition thereof.

XXVIII. ' And whereas by an Act passed in the Seventh Clerk of the 'Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Anne, intituled An Court of Com ' Act for the public registering of Deeds, Conveyances, and Wills, and mon Pleas and ' other Incumbrances, which shall be made of or shall affect any ' Honors, Manors, Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments within the ' County of Middlesex, after the Twenty-ninth Day of September Queen's Bench " One thousand seven hundred and nine, and by another Act passed continued in the "in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King gisters of Deeds George the Second, intituled An Act for appointing the Deputy in Middlesex, ' or Secondary of the Chief Clerk to enrol Pleas in the King's Bench, notwithstanding called the Master of the King's Bench Office, One of the Registers the Abolition of their Offices in ' or Masters for the Inrolment of Deeds, Wills, and other Con- the Courts at ' veyances in the County of Middlesex, in the Place and Stead of Law. ' such Chief Clerk, it is provided that the Clerk of the Warrants ' in the Court of Common Pleas, and the Master or Secondary ' of the Court of King's Bench, for the Time being, shall be " Two of the Officers for executing the Duties of Registers and ' Masters for the Matters and Things in the said first-recited ' Act contained: And whereas the said Offices of Clerk of the ' Warrants in the Court of Common Pleas and the Master or ' Secondary of the Court of Queen's Bench will be abolished by ' this Act, and Doubts may arise whether those Officers can any ' longer continue legally to execute the Duties of such Registers ' and Masters as aforesaid ;' be it therefore enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to abolish the Office of Registers or Masters for the Inrolment of Deeds, Wills, and other Conveyances in the County of *Middlesex*, or for any other Matters or Things in the said first-recited Act contained, or to deprive any of the Persons now holding such Office of Registers or Masters of that Office, and that such Persons shall and may henceforth, and until otherwise provided for by Law, continue to hold and enjoy such Office, and execute all the Powers and Duties appertaining thereto, in the same Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if this Act had not been passed; and if the Clerk of the Warrants in the Court of Common Pleas, or the Master or Secondary of the Court of Queen's Bench, abolished by this Act, and who now hold the Office of such Registers or Masters as aforesaid, shall die or resign, or otherwise be discharged from the Office of Registers or Masters, it shall be lawful for the Lords Chief Justices of the Courts of Queen's Bench and Common Pleas for the Time being, until otherwise directed by Parliament, to nominate and appoint some fit

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Warrants in Master or Se condary of the Court of Office of Refit and proper Person to fill the Office of such Register or Master, such Person being a Master in one of the said Superior Courts of Common Law at *Westminster*, or a Barrister or an Attorney in the same in actual Practice of not less than Five Years standing, in the Place or Stead of the Person so dying, resigning, or being discharged from such Office; and the Person so nominated and appointed by the Lords Chief Justices as aforesaid shall, previously to his entering upon or executing such Office, take such Oath or Oaths, and afterwards execute such Office, and the Powers and Duties appertaining thereto, in the same Manner to all Intents and Purposes as the Persons executing the same would by Law be required and authorized to take and execute if this Act had not been passed.

Act may be altered this Session. XXIX. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act to be passed during the present Session of Parliament.

SCHEDULES to which the foregoing Act refers.

SCHEDULE (A.)

OFFICES abolished by this Act from and after the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

On the Plea Side of the Court of Queen's Bench:

The Office of

The Chief Clerk.

Secondary or Master of the Queen's Bench Office.

Clerk of the Rules.

Clerk of the Papers.

Clerk of the Docquets and Judgments.

Signer of the Writs.

Clerk of the Declarations.

Clerk of the Common Bails or Appearances, Estreats and Posteas.

Custos Brevium et Recordorum.

Clerk of the Inner and Upper Treasuries.

Clerk of the Outer Treasury.

Clerks of the Nisi Prius for London, Middlesex, and the several Circuits in England and Wales.

Bagbearer to the Custos Brevium.

Clerk of the Errors.

Filacer, Exigenter, and Clerk of the Outlawries. Signer of the Bills of Middlesex.

In the Court of Common Pleas:

The Office of

The Custos Brevium. Prothonotaries. Secondaries. Clerk of the Judgments.

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On the Plea Side of the Court of Exchequer:

The Office of

The Masters and Prothonotaries. Clerk of the Rules. Filacer. Clerk of the Errors. Clerk of the Pleas.

SCHEDULE (B.)

PERSONS appointed by this Act as the Masters of the Superior Courts of Common Law.

The Five Masters on the Plea Side of the Court of Queen's Bench; namely:---

> Thomas Le Blanc, Esquire. Fortunatus Dwarris, Esquire. Sir Archer Denman Croft, Baronet. Richard Goodrich, Esquire. James Bunce, Esquire.

The Five Masters of the Court of Common Pleas; namely :----

Henry Belward Ray, Esquire. Alexander Atherton Park, Esquire. John Henry Cancellor, Esquire. Edward Griffith, Esquire. Edward Robert Porter, Esquire.

The Five Masters on the Plea Side of the Court of Exchequer; namely:---

> Thomas Dax, Esquire. Kenrick Collett, Esquire. Edmund Walker, Esquire. Stephen Richards, Esquire. George Chilton, Esquire.

CAP. XXXI.

An Act for continuing Military Commissions and Commissions in the Royal Marines in force notwithstanding the Demise of the Crown.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS great Inconvenience has arisen on occasion of the Demise of the Crown from the Necessity of renewing all Military Commissions under the Royal Sign ' Manual :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Commissions of Military Officers and Officers of the Royal Marines signed by His late Majesty King William the Fourth shall be and continue in force, notwithstanding the Demise of His said late Majesty, until cancelled by Direction of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors; and that upon any future Demise of the Crown all Commissions in the Army and Royal Marines then in force shall continue in force until cancelled by Direction of the succeeding King or Queen of this Realm: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to deprive Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, of the Power of removing and discharging any Person from any such Employment or Commission held by him in like Manner as might by Law have been done if this Act had not been passed.

CAP. XXXII.

An Act to repeal the several Laws relating to the Post 3+4/Egboss Office. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS the Laws of the Post Office, by reason of successive Additions and Alterations, have become intricate, it is expedient that new Enactments should be substituted, exhibiting more plainly and compendiously the Provisions thereof? Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the several Acts and Parts of Acts set forth in the Schedule (A.) hereto annexed, so far as the same shall be in force at the Commencement of this Act, are hereby repealed; nevertheless no Act or Part of an Act repealed by any of the Acts hereby repealed shall be revived by the passing of this Act; and no Act or Part of an Act perpetuated or continued by any of

Military Commissions to continue in force notwithstanding the Demise of the Crown.

Acts and Parts of Acts in Schedule (A.) repealed. Cap. 31, 32.

of the Acts hereby repealed (except such as are herein expressly repealed) shall be repealed by the passing of this Act; and, notwithstanding the Repeal of the Acts hereby repealed, all Acts which might have been done, and all Proceedings which might have been taken or prosecuted relating to any Offences which shall have been committed, or to any Matters which shall have happened, or to any Monies which shall have become due, or to any Fines or Penalties which shall have been incurred, before the Day on which this Act shall come into operation, may still be done or prosecuted, and the Offences may be dealt with and punished, and the Monies may be recovered and dealt with, and the Fines and Penalties may be enforced and applied, as if the Acts hereby repealed continued in force.

II. And in order that no Doubt should remain whether any, All Acts and or what, if any, former Acts relating in any way to the Post Parts of Acts Office continue in force, be it enacted, That all Acts and Parts relating to the Post Office of Acts relating to the Revenue of the Post Office, or relating repeated, except to the Management of the Business of the Post Office, or relating those in Sche-to the Privilege of sending and receiving Letters free of Postage dule (B.) or at a reduced Rate of Postage, or relating to Offences against the Post Office, which are punishable specifically by the Post Office Laws, shall be hereby repealed so far as such Acts shall be in force at the Commencement of this Act, save such Acts and Parts of Acts as are mentioned in the Schedule (B.) hereunto annexed, and also save all other Acts expressly made for other Purposes, although they incidentally touch on Matters relating to the Post Office, or although the Provisions thereof are to be carried into effect by Officers of the Post Office; nevertheless such Matters and Provisions last mentioned, so far as they are repugnant to or inconsistent with the Post Office Acts in force at the Time, shall be in all respects controlled by such Post Office Acts, unless the contrary shall have been expressed in such other Acts.

III. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of this Act Interpretation shall be construed according to the respective Interpretations of Clause: the Terms and Expressions contained in an Act passed in the present Session, intituled An Act for consolidating the Laws rela- 1 Vict. c. 36. tive to Offences against the Post Office of the United Kingdom, and for regulating the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws, and for explaining certain Terms and Expressions employed in those Laws, so far as those Interpretations are not repugnant to the Subject or inconsistent with the Context of such Provisions.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall come into Commence operation on the First Day of August One thousand eight ment of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed or Act may be altered. altered during the present Session of Parliament.

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SCHEDULE (A.)

Containing a Description of the Acts and Parts of Acts repealed by this Act.

Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
First Parlia- ment William & Mary,	An Act against robbing of the Packet.	The whole.
Sens. 3. c. 3. 9 Anne, c. 10.	An Act for establishing a General Post Office for all Her Majesty's Dominions, and for settling a weekly Sum out of the Revenues thereof for the Service of the War, and other Her Majesty's Occasions.	The whole, except so far as relates to the Payment and Appropriation of the weekly Sum of Seven hundred Pounds thereby directed to be paid into the Receipt of the Ex- chequer, and as relates to Her Majesty's Hereditary Revenue, and except all Annuities and other Pay- ments and Incumbrances to which the Revenue of the Post Office is thereby made liable, and except so far as relates to the Interference with or Par- ticipation in Elections of Members of Parliament by
6 G. l. c. 2l.	An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Public Revenues of Excise, Customs, Stamp Duties, Post Office, and House Money.	Officers of the Post Office. So much as relates to the Post Office.
• 4 G. 2. c. 33 .	An Act for obviating a Doubt which hath arisen concerning the usual Allowance made upon the De- livery of Letters sent by the Penny Post to Places out of the Cities of London and Westminster and Bo- rough of Southwark, and the re- spective Suburbs thereof.	The whole.
33 G. 2. c. 25.	An Act to explain and amend so much of an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne, intituled "An Act for establishing a General Post Office for all Her Majesty's Dominions, and for set- tling a weekly Sum out of the Revenues thereof for the Service	The whole.

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
26 G. 2. c. 13.	of the War and other Her Ma- jesty's Occasions," as relates to Horses or Furniture to be let to Persons riding Post. An Act for the more effectually preventing the fraudulent Re- moval of Tobacco by Land or Water, and for the Ease of the fair Trader in Tobacco; and for ascertaining the Rates payable for the Portage of certain Letters;	So much as relates to the Post Office.
4 G. S. c. 24.	and for amending and explaining the Laws relating to the Sale of Spirituous Liquors by Retail. An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuses in relation to the sending and receiving of Letters and Packets free from the Duty of	The whole.
5 G. 3. c. 25.	Postage. An Act to alter certain Rates of Postage, and to amend, explain, and enlarge several Provisions in an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne and in other Acts relating to the Re- venue of the Post Office.	The whole, except so much thereof as relates to the Postage on Letters and Packets conveyed by the Post within the British Dominions in America and the West Indies, and to any Felony or other Offence committed within such Dominions.
7 G. 3. c. <i>5</i> 0.	An Act for amending certain Laws relating to the Revenue of the Post Office, and for granting Rates of Postage for the Conveyance of Letters and Packets between Great Britain and the Isle of Man, and within that Island.	The whole, except so much thereof as relates to any Felony or other Offence committed within the Bri- tish Dominions in America and the West Indies.
9 G. 3. c. 35.	An Act for discontinuing upon the Exportation of Iron imported in Foreign S tips the Drawback of such Part of the Duties payable thereon as exceeds the Duties payable on Iron imported in Bri- tish Ships; to prohibit the Ex- portation of Pig and Bar Iron and certain Naval Stores, unless the Pre-emption thereof be offered to the Commissioners of the Navy; to repeal so much of an Act made in the Sixth Year of His present Majesty's Reign as discontinued the Drawback upon Foreign rough Hemp exported; for providing a Compensation to the Clerks in the Offices of the Principal Secreta- N 4	So much as relates to the Post Office, except so much thereof as directs the Payment out of the Revenues of the Post Office of the annual Sum of Fifteen hundred Pounds to or for the Use of the Clerks in the Offices of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

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	ries of State for the Advantages such Clerks enjoyed before the Commencement of an Act made in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty for pre- venting Frauds and Abuses in relation to the sending and re- ceiving Letters and Packets free	
22 G. 3. c70.	from the Duty of Postage, and to explain and amend the said Act. An Act to enable the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces and the Secretary to the Com- mander in Chief of His Majesty's Forces to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage.	The whole.
25 G. S. c. 69.	Postage. An Act to enable the Adjutant General of His Majesty's Forces and the Comptrollers of Army Accounts to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage.	The whole.
23&24 G.3.c.17. (Irish Act.)	An Act for establishing a Post Office within this Kingdom.	The whole.
24 G. 3. c. 6. 24 G. 3. c. 8. Sess. 2.	An Act for establishing certain Regulations concerning the Port- age and Conveyance of Letters and Packets by the Post between Great Britain and Ireland. An Act for establishing certain Regulations concerning the Port- age and Conveyance of Letters and Packets by the Post between	The whole. The whole.
24 G. 3. c. 37. Sess. 2.	Great Britain and Ireland. An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty certain additional Rates of Postage for Conveyance of Let- ters and Packets by the Post within the Kingdom of Great Bri- tain; for preventing Frauds in the Revenue carried on by the Con- veyance of certain Goods in Let- ters and Packets; and for further preventing Frauds and Abuses in relation to the sending and re-	The whole, except so far as relates to the Payment and Appropriation of the weekly Sum of Two thousand three hundred Pounds thereby directed to be paid into the Re- ceipt of the Exchequer and as relates to the He reditary Revenue.
25 G. 3. c. 57.	ceiving of Letters and Packets free from Postage. An Act to exempt Carriages carry- ing the Mail from paying Tolls at any Turnpike Gate in Great Bri-	The whole.
25 G. S. c. 60.	An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty a certain Sum of Money out	So much as relates to the Post Office, except so

Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
	of the Sinking Fund, and for ap- plying certain Monies therein mentioned for the Service of the Year One thousand seven hundred	much thereof as respects the Payment out of the Revenues of the Post Office of an annual Sum
	and eighty-five, and for further appropriating the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament; and	of One thousand Pounds to or for the Use of the Clerks in the Offices of
	for providing a Compensation to the Clerks in the Offices of the Principal Secretaries of State for the Advantage such Clerks en-	Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.
	joyed before the Commencement of an Act made in the Twenty- fourth Year of the Reign of His	•
	present Majesty, for establishing certain Regulations concerning the Portage and Conveyance of	
7 G. 3. c. 9.	Letters and Packets by the Post between Great Britain and Ireland. An Act for granting Rates of Post- age for the Conveyance of Letters	The whole.
	and Packets between Great Bri- tain and the Port of Waterford in the Kingdom of Ireland, by way	
8 G. 3. c. 13. (Irish Act.)	of Milford Haven. An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Years of His	The whole.
, 	present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for establishing a Post Office within this Kingdom."	
9 G. 9. c. 60.	An Act to enable the Postmaster General to send the Mail to the Dominions of His Catholic Ma- jesty on board of any Vessels au- thorized by His Catholic Majesty	The whole.
4 G. 3. c. 17.	to carry the same. An Act for regulating the Portage and Conveyance of Letters by the Carriage called the Penny Post.	The whole.
4 G. 3. c. 18.	An Act for granting Rates of Post- age for the Conveyance of Letters and Packets between Great Bri- tain and the Islands of Jersey and	The whole.
85 G. 3. c. 58.	Guernsey, and within those Islands. An Act for further regulating the sending and receiving Letters free from the Duty of Postage; for	The whole.
	allowing Non-commissioned Offi- cers, Seamen, and Private Men in the Navy and Army, whilst on Service, to send and receive Let-	
	ters at a low Rate of Postage; and for permitting Patterns and	

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
36 G. s. c. 7.	Samples of Goods to be trans- mitted by the Post at an easier Rate than is now allowed by Law. An Act to further explain and	The whole.
(lrish Act.)	amend an Act passed in the	
•	Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth	
	Years of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled "An Act for es-	
	tablishing a Post Office within	
	this Kingdom;" and also to ex-	
	plain and amend an Act passed in	•
	the Twenty-eighth Year of His present Majesty's Reign, intituled	
•	"An Act to explain and amend	
	an Act passed in the Twenty-third	
	and Twenty fourth Years of His	
	present Majesty's Reign, intituled 'An Act for establishing a Post	
	Office within this Kingdom.'"	
5 7 G. S. c. 18.	An Act for altering certain Rates	The whole, except so much
	of Postage for Conveyance of Let- ters in England and Scotland re-	thereof as relates to the Application of the Re-
	spectively, and of Packets to and	venue of the Post Office.
	from Great Britain, from and to	
	Portugal and the British Colonies	
	in America respectively; and for setting apart at the Receipt of the	
	Exchequer, for a certain Period,	
	out of the Revenues of the Post	
	Office, the annual Sum of Forty thousand Pounds towards defray-	
	ing the increased Charge occa-	
	sioned by any Loan raised or Stock	
	created by any Act or Acts passed	
	in the Thirty-fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty.	
58 G. 5. c. 4 7.	An Act for the further Amendment	The whole.
(lrish Act.)	of the Acts relating to the Post	
	Office, and for further facilitating Prosecutions under the said Acts.	
59 G. S. c. 76.	An Act for the more secure Con-	The whole.
	veyance of Ship Letters, and for	
	granting to His Majesty certain	
40 G. S. c. 8.	Rates of Postage thereon. An Act for granting to His Ma-	The whole.
(Irish Act.)	jesty, His Heirs and Successors,	
	certain Duties and Rates upon the	
	Portage and Conveyance of all	
	Letters and Packets within this Kingdom.	
1 G. S. c. 7.	An Act for repealing the Rates and	The whole.
	Duties of Postage in Great Bri- tain, and granting other Rates and	

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
	ters conveyed to or from any Part of the United Kingdom from or to any Place out of the said King- dom, and by Packet Boats from or to the Ports of Holyhead and Milford Haven.	
42 G. 3 . c. 63.	An Act to authorize the sending and receiving of Letters and Packets, Votes, Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News- papers by the Post, free from the Duty of Postage by the Members of the Two Houses of Parliament of the United Kingdom, and by certain public Officers therein named; and for reducing the Postage on such Votes, Proceed- ings, and Newspapers when sent	The whole.
12 G. 3. c. 81.	by any other Persons. An Act for amending so much of an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Ma- jesty as relates to the secreting, embezzling, or destroying any Letter or Packet sent by the Post; and for the better Protection of such Letters and Packets; and for more effectually preventing Let- ters and Packets being sent other-	The whole.
2 G. S. c. 101.	wise than by the Post. An Act for repealing the Rates and Duties of Postage upon Letters to and from France and the Batavian Republic from and to London, and for granting other Rates and Du- ties in lieu thereof; and for ex- empting from the Duty of Ton- nage the Ships and Vessels to be employed in conveying the Mails of Letters from France to the United Kingdom of Great Britain	The whole.
3G. 3. c. 28.	and Ireland. An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty certain Rates and Duties upon Letters and Packets sent by the Determinia Ireland	The whole.
\$ G. 3. c. 31.	the Post within Ireland. An Act for establishing certain Regulations in the Office of Sur- veyor General of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Parks, and Chases.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
\$ G. S. c. 119.	An Act for improving the Funds of the Chest at Chatham, and for	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send-

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
	transferring the Administration of the same to Greenwich Hospital; and for ameliorating the Condition of the Pensioners on the said	ing and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
44 G. 3. c. 84.	Funds. An Act to permit certain Persons in the Office of Ordnance, and the Quarter Master General, to send and receive Letters free from the Duty of Postage; and to enable the Board of Ordnance, the Adjutant General, the Quarter Master Ge- neral, and the Barrack Master General to authorize Persons in their Offices to send Letters free	The whole.
5 G. S. c. 11.	from the said Duty. An Act for granting certain addi-	The whole.
15 G. 3. c. 21.	tional Rates and Duties in Great Britain on the Conveyance of Let- ters. An Act for repealing certain Duties	The whole.
	upon Letters and Packets sent by the Post within Ireland, and grant- ing other Duties in lieu thereof.	
k5 G. 3. c. 72.	An Act for the Encouragement of Seamen, and for the better and more effectually manning His Majesty's Navy during the present War.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
16 G. 3. c.61.	An Act to authorize certain Public Officers to send and receive Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.	The whole.
16 G. S. c. 73.	An Act for granting Rates of Postage on the Conveyance of Letters and Packets to and from Gibraltar and the Island of Malta.	The whole.
l6 G. 3. c. 83.	An Act for the better Regulation of the Office of Receiver General of the Post Office in England.	The whole.
6 G. 3. c. 92.	An Act to amend Three Acts made in the Thirty-fifth, Forty-first, and Forty-second Years of His present Majesty, relating to the Conveyance of Letters and Packets by the Post.	The whole.
6 G. S. c. 142.	An Act for the better Regulation of the Office of Surveyor General of Woods and Forests.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
7 G. S. c. 59.	An Act to amend an Act of the Forty-sixth Year of His Majesty,	The whole.

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Date of Act.	Title. '	Extent of Repeal.
48 G. S. c. 90.	for the better Regulation of the Office of Receiver General of the Post Office in England. An Act to enable the Commis- sioners for auditing Public Ac- counts, and the Commissioners for the Affairs of Barracks respec- tively, to send and receive Letters	The whole.
48 G. 3. c. 116.	and Packets on the Business of their Office free of Postage. An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty Rates of Postage on the Conveyance of Letters and Packets to and from the Island of Madeira and to and from the Portuguese Territories on the Continent of	The whole.
49 G. S. c. 35.	South America. An Act for the more convenient Payment of Pensions to Widows of Officers of the Navy.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
49 G. S. c. 45.	An Act for more conveniently pay- ing of Allowances on the Com- passionate List of the Navy and of Half Pay to Officers of the Royal Marines.	So much as relates to the Post Office.
49 G. S. c. 108.	An Act to amend the several Acts respecting the Payment of Wages and Prize, Money and Allotment of Wages to Persons serving in His Maiesty's Royal Navy.	So much as relates to the Post Office.
49 G. 3, c.123.	An Act to explain and amend an Act made in the Forty-fifth Year of His present Majesty, for the Encouragement of Seamen, and for the better and more effectually manning His Majesty's Navy dur- ing the present War; and for the further Encouragement of Sea- men, and for the better and more effectually providing for the In- terests of the Royal Hospital for Seamen at Greenwich and the Royal Hospital for Soldiers at Chelsea; and to extend the Pro- visions of the said Act to Cases arising in consequence of Hos- tilities commenced since the pass-	
50 G. S. c. 65.	ing of the said Act. An Act for uniting the Offices of Surveyor General of the Land Re- venues of the Crown and Surveyor	Post Omce and the sent

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Date of Act.	. Title.	Extent of Repeal.
,	General of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Parks, and Chases.	ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
50 G. 3. c. 66.	An Act to authorize the Judge Ad- vocate General to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage.	The whole.
50 G. 3. c. 74.	An Act to grant to His Majesty certain additional Duties upon Letters and Packets sent by the Post within Ireland.	The whole.
52 G. 3. ′c. 88.	An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty certain additional Rates of Postage in Great Britain.	The whole.
52 G. S. c. 192.	An Act for explaining, amending, and extending the several Laws relative to the Payment of for- feited and unclaimed Shares of Army Prize Money to the Royal Hospital at Chelsea; and for di- recting the Mode of making up the Accounts of Pensions paid to the Widows of Officers of the Army.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
52 G. 3. c. 143.	An Act for amending and reducing into One Act the Provisions con- tained in any Laws now in force imposing the Penalty of Death for any Act done in breach of or in resistance to any Part of the Laws for collecting His Majesty's Re- venue in Great Britain.	So much as relates to the Post Office.
55 G. 5. c. 13.	An Act for authorizing the Assistant Secretary to the Postmaster Ge- neral to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty on Postage.	· The whole.
53 G. S. c. <i>5</i> 8,	An Act to repeal certain Rates and Duties upon Letters and Packets sent by the Post from or to Dublin to or from the several Post Towns in Ireland, and to grant other Rates and Duties in lieu thereof; and to make further Regulations for securing the Duties on Letters and Packets sent by the Post in Ireland.	The whole.
55 G. 5. c. 68.	An Act to repeal the Exemption from Toll granted for or in respect of Carriages with more than Two Wheels carrying the Mail in Scot- land, and for granting a Rate for Postage as an Indemnity for the Loss which may arise to the Reve-	The whole.

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
54 G. 3. c. 119.	nue of the Post Office from the Payment of such Tolls. An Act to repeal certain Duties upon Letters and Packets sent by the Post within Ireland, and to	The whole.
54 G. 3. c. 169.	grant other Duties in lieu thereof.	The whole.
55 G. S. c. 103.	An Act to regulate the Postage of Ship Letters to and from Ireland.	The whole.
55 G. 3. c. 145.		The whole.
55 G. S. c. 158.	Britain. An Act for granting certain Rates on the Postage of Letters to and from Great Britain, the Cape of	The whole.
6 G. 3. c. 98.	Good Hope, the Mauritius, and the East Indies; and for making cer- tain Regulations respecting the Postage of Ship Letters and of Letters in Great Britain. An Act to unite and consolidate into One Fund all the Public Revenues of Great Britain and Ireland, and to provide for the Application thereof to the general Service of	So much as relates to the sending and receiving Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
7 G. 3. c. 9.	the United Kingdom. An Act for vesting all Estates and Property occupied for the Barrack Service in the Comptroller of the Barrack Department, and for granting certain Powers to the	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of
7 G. S. c. 66.	said Comptroller. An Act to amend an Act of the Twenty-second Year of His pre- sent Majesty, for suppressing or regulating certain Offices therein mentioned, so far as relates to the Board of Trade; and for enabling the Vice-President of the Board of Trade to send and receive Letters	Postage. So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.

- Trade to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage. An Act for building and promoting the building of additional Churches in populous Parishes. 58 G. S. c. 45.
- 59 G. S. c. 108. An Act to amend several Acts relating to the Post Office and Conveyance of Letters in Ireland. .l. ,

So much as relates to the Post Office and the sending and receiving Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage. The whole.

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal,
59 G. 3. c. 111.	An Act to repeal so much of an Act passed in the Fifty-fifth Year of His present Majesty as relates to the Postage and Conveyance of Letters to and from the Cape of Good Hope, Ceylon, the Mauritius, and the East Indies; and to make other Regulations respecting the Postage of such Letters and Packets, and other Letters and Packets sent by the Post.	The whole.
1 G.4. c. 89.	An Act for imposing additional Rates and Duties on the Convey- ance of Letters between Port Patrick in Scotland and Dona- ghadee in Ireland.	The whole.
3 G. 4. c. 105.	An Act for granting Rates of Postage for the Conveyance of Letters and Packets between the Port of Liverpool in the Gounty of Lancaster and the Isle of Man.	The whole.
3 G. 4. c. 128.	An Act to amend the General Laws now in being for regulating Turn- pike Roads in that Part of Great Britain called England.	So much as relates to the Exemption of Horses and Carriages employed or to be employed in carrying the Mails and Expresses from Payment of Tolls.
4 G. 4. c. 19 .	An Act for regulating Turnpike Roads in that Part of Great Britain called Scotland.	So much as relates to the Exemption of Horses and Carriages employed or to be employed in conveying the Mails from Payment of Tolls, and as authorizes the Trustees of Turnpikes to enter into any Agree- ment with the Postmaster General as to the Amount of Tolls to be paid for Mail Coaches.
4 G. 4. c. 81.	An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws for punishing Mutiny and Desertion of Officers and Soldiers in the Service of the East India Company, and to authorize Soldiers and Sailors in the East Indies to send and receive Letters at a re-	So much as relates to the Post Office.
4 G. 4. c. 95.	duced Rate of Postage. An Act to explain and amend an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, to amend the General Laws now in being for regulating Turnpike Roads in that Part of Great Britain called England,	So much as tends to affect the Exemption from Pay- ment of Tolls of Horses and Carriages employed or to be employed in conveying the Mails and Expresses under the Au-

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
5 C A c 10	A. A. G. marting to His Mainta	thority of Her Majesty's Postmaster General, either when employed in con- veying, fetching, or guard- ing such Mails or Ex- presses or in returning back from conveying or guarding the same.
5 G. 4 . c. 10.	An Act for granting to His Majesty Rates of Postage on the Convey- ance of Letters and Packets to and from Buenos Ayres or other Port or Ports on the Continent of South America.	The whole,
5 G. 4. c. 20.	An Act to regulate the Conveyance of Packets containing re-issuable Country Bank Notes by the Post, and to charge Rates of Postage thereon; to prevent Letters and Packets being sent otherwise than by the Post; to punish Persons embezzling printed Proceedings in Parliament or Newspapers; and to allow the President of the Com- missioners of Revenue Inquiry to send and receive Letters and Packets free from the Duty of Postage.	The whole.
6 G. 4. c <i>.</i> 28.	An Act for granting Rates of Post- age for the Conveyance of Letters and Packets between Great Britain and Ireland by way of Liverpool.	The whole.
6 G. 4. c, 44.	An Act for granting to His Majesty Rates of Postage on the Convey- ance of Letters and Packets to and from Columbia and Mexico.	The whole.
6 G. 4. c. 68.	An Act to regulate the Conveyance of printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament, and printed News- papers, by Packet Boats between Great Britain and Ireland and the British Colonies, and also in the United Kingdom.	The whole, except so far as respects the Compensation to Officers of the Post Office having the Privilege of Franking.
7 G. 4. c. 16.	An Act to consolidate and amend several Acts relating to the Royal Hospitals for Soldiers at Chelsea and Kilmainham.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage
7 & 8 G. 4. c. 6.	An Act for granting to His Majesty Rates of Postage on the Convey- ance of Letters and Packets to and from Saint Domingo and Cuba.	ot Postage. The whole.
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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Repeal.
7&8G.4.c.21.	An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Duties of Postage in Great Britain and Ireland.	The whole.
7 & 8 G.4. c.58.	An Act to make Provision for as- certaining from Time to Time the Average Prices of British Corn.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
9 G. 4. c. 42.	An Act to abolish Church Briefs, and to provide for the better Col- lection and Application of volun- tary Contributions for the Purpose of enlarging and building Churches and Chapels.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
10 G. 4. c. 26.	An Act for transferring the Manage- ment of Greenwich Out-pensions, and certain Duties in Matters of Prize, to the Treasurer of the Navy.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Let- ters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
1 W. 4. c. 8.	An Act for enabling His Majesty to appoint a Postmaster General for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.	The whole.
1 & 2 W, 4. c. 43.	An Act for amending and making more effectual the Laws concerning Turnpike Roads in Scotland.	So much as relates to the Post Office.
2 W. 4 c. 15.	An Act to enable His Majesty's Postmaster General to extend the Accommodation by Post, and to regulate the Privilege of Franking in Ireland; and for other Purposes relating to the Post Office.	The whole.
2 W. 4, c. 53,	An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the Payment of Army Prize Money.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the sending and receiving of Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
`^:3₩.4, c.106.	An Act to enable the Officers in His Majesty's Army, and their Representatives, and the Widows of Officers, and Persons on the Compassionate List, and also Civil Officers on Retired or Superan- nuation Allowances payable by the Paymaster General of His Ma- jesty's Forces, to draw for and receive their Half Pay and Allow- ances.	So much as relates to the Post Office and the send- ing and receiving of Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.
4 & 5 W. 4. c. 44.		The whole.

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Date of Act.	⁵ Title.	Extent of Repeal.
	British Colonies, and Foreign Parts.	• <u>•</u>
5&6W.4.c.25.	An Act to extend the Accommoda- tion by the Post to and from Foreign Parts, and for other Pur- poses relating to the Post Office.	The whole.
6 W. 4. c. 21.	An Act to provide that Persons in Scotland accused of Letter Steal- ing shall not be entitled to Liber- ation on Bail, unless in certain Cases.	The whole.
6 W. 4. c. 25.	An Act for granting an additional Rate of Postage on Letters be- tween Great Britain and Ireland by way of Milford and Waterford.	So much as imposes addi- tional Rates of Postage on Letters and Packets con- veyed by Post to and from Great Britain and Ire- land, or to and from any Part beyond the Seas and Ireland, by way of Mil- ford and Waterford.
6&7 W.4. c.54.	An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Con- veyance of Newspapers by the Post.	The whole.

SCHEDULE (B.)

Containing a Description of the Acts and Parts of Acts saved from the Operation of this Act.

Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Saving.
5 A. c. 4. s. l.	An Act for settling upon John Duke of Marlborough and his Posterity a Pension of Five thou- sand Pounds per Annum, for the more honourable Support of their Dignities, in like Manner as his Honours and Dignities, and the Honour and Manor of Woodstock.	The whole.
9 A. c. 10.	and House of Blenheim, are already limited and settled. An Act for establishing a General Post Office for all Her Majesty's Dominions, and for settling a weekly Sum out of the Revenues thereof for the Service of the War and other Her Majesty's Occasions.	So much as relates to the Appropriation and Pay- ment of the weekly Sum thereby directed to be paid into the Receipt of the Exchequer; and as relates to Her Majesty's Hereditary Revenue; and

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Saving.
1 G. 1. c, 78,	An Act to enable His Majesty to	as relates to all Annuities and other Payments and Incumbrances to which the Revenue of the Post Office is thereby made liable; and so much as relates to the Interference with or Participation in the Elections of Mem- bers of Parliament by Persons employed in the Post Office. The whole.
	grant Letters Patent to supply a Defect in a Grant made by His Majesty King William the Third unto Maynard Duke of Schomberg and Leinster, of the annual Sum of Four thousand Pounds out of the Revenue of the Post Office, until the Sum of One hundred thousand Pounds be paid.	
8 G, 1. c . 7,	An Act for redeeming the Duties and Revenues which were settled to pay off Principal and Interest on the Orders made forth on Four Lottery Acts passed in the Ninth and Tenth Years of Her late Ma- jesty's Reign; and for redeeming certain Annuities payable on Orders out of the Hereditary Excise, according to a former Act in that Behalf; and for establish- ing a general yearly Fund, not only for the future Payment of Annuities at several Rates to be payable and transferrable at the Bank of England and redeemable by Parliament, but also to raise Monies for such Proprietors of the said Orders as shall choose to be paid their Principal and Arrears of Interest in ready	So much as relates to the Payment of the weekly Sum of Seven hundred Pounds out of the Reve- nues of the Post Office into the Receipt of the Exchequer.
	Money; and for making good such other Deficiences and Pay- ments as in this Act are men- tioned; and for taking off the Duties on Linseed imported and British Linen exported.	
3 G. 2. c. 36.	An Act for confirming a Patent granted by Her late Majesty Queen Anne to William Trench, Esquire, deceased, for erecting a Lighthouse upon the Island or	Th e whole.

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Saving.
5 G. 3. c. 25.	Rock called Skerries, and for the better Maintenance of the said Lighthouse, and for making the Duties granted for maintaining the same perpetual. An Act to alter certain Rates of Postage, and to amend, explain, and enlarge several Provisions in an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne and in other Acts relating to the Re- venue of the Post Office.	So much as relates to the Postage on Letters and Packets conveyed by the Post within the British Dominions in America and the West Indies and to any Felony or other Offence committed within
7 G. 3. c. <i>5</i> 0.	An Act for amending certain Laws relating to the Revenue of the Post Office; and for granting Rates of Postage for the Convey- ance of Letters and Packets be- tween Great Britain and the Isle	such Dominions. So much as relates to any Felony or other Offence committed within the Bri tish Dominions in America and the West Indies.
24 G. 3. c. 37.	of Man and within that Island. An Act for granting to His Ma- jesty certain additional Rates of Postage for Conveyance of Let- ters and Packets by the Post within the Kingdom of Great Bri ain; for preventing Frauds on the Revenue carried on by the Conveyance of certain Goods in Letters and Packets; and for further preventing Frauds and Abuses in relation to the sending and receiving of Letters and Packets free from Postage.	So much as relates to the Appropriation and Pay ment of the weekly Sum of Two thousand Three hundred Pounds thereby directed to be paid into the Receipt of the Exche quer, and as relates to the Hereditary Revenue.
27 G. 3. c. 13.	An Act for repealing the several Duties of Customs and Excise, and granting other Duties in lieu thereof, and for applying the said Duties, together with the other Duties composing the Public Revenue; for permitting the Im- portation of certain Goods, Wares, and Merchandize the Produce or Manufacture of the European Dominions of the French King into this Kingdom; and for apply- ing certain unclaimed Monies re- maining in the Exchequer for the Payment of Annuities on Lives to the Reduction of the National	So much as relates to the Post Office.
5 G . 3 . c. 43.	Debt. An Act to amend the Laws for improving and keeping in repair the Post Roads in Ireland, and O 3	The whole.

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	for rendering the Conveyance of	
	Letters by His Majesty's Post Office more secure and expedi- tious.	
16 G. 3. c. 134.	An Act to provide for the Secu- rity and Expedition of the Con- veyance of Letters by the Post in	The whole.
8 G. 3. c. 48.	Ireland. An Act to enable His Majesty's Postmaster General of Ireland to purchase Premises for the En- largement of the General Post Office in the City of Dublin.	The whole.
8 G. 3. c. 140.	An Act for the more effectual Ad- ministration of the Office of Jus- tice of the Peace, and for the more effectual Prevention of Fe- lonies within the District of the Dublin Metropolis.	So much as relates to the Post Office.
52 G. S. c. 146.	An Act for the better regulating and preserving Parish and other Registers of Births, Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in Eng- land.	The whole.
53 G. 3. c. 89.	An Act for the more regular Con- veyance of Writs for the Elec- tion of Members to serve in Par- liament.	The whole.
53 G. 3. c. 146.	An Act to amend an Act made in the Forty-fifth Year of His present Majesty, intituled "An Act to amend the Laws for im- proving and keeping in repair the Post Roads in Ireland, and for rendering the Conveyance of Let- ters by His Majesty's Post Office more secure and expeditious."	The whole.
51 G. 3. c. 63.	An Act to amend several Acts for enabling His Majesty's Postmaster General of Ireland to purchase Premises for the Enlargement of the General Post Office in the City of Dublin.	The whole.
55 G. S. c. 91. (Local Act.)	An Act for enlarging and improv- ing the West End of Cheapside in the City of London, also Saint Martin's-le-Grand, Aldersgate Street, St. Anne's Lane, and Foster Lane; and for providing a Site for a new Post Office between Saint Martin's-le-Grand and Foster Lane aforesaid.	The whole.
	An Act to provide for the taking an Account of the Population of	So much as relates to the Post Office.

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Date of Act.	Title.	Extent of Saving.			
5 G. 4. c. 5.	Ireland, and for the ascertaining the Increase or Diminution thereof. An Act for enabling a Conveyance to be made of Part of a House in Lombard Street, vested in the Right Honourable Henry Frederick Lord Carteret, formerly His Ma- jesty's Postmaster General.	The whole.			
5 G. 4. c. 85.	An Act for amending an Act of the last Session of Parliament relating to the building, repairing, and en- larging of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction, and for procuring Information as to the State of all other Gaols and Houses of Correc- tion, in England and Wales.	The whole.			
1 W. 4. c. 27.	An Act for enabling His Majesty's Postmaster General to sell the Premises lately used as the Post Office in Lombard Street, Ab- church Lane, and Sherborne Lane in the City of London.	The whole.			
1&2W.4. c.33.	An Act for the Extension and Pro- motion of Public Works in Ireland.	The whole.			
2 W.4. c.4.	An Act for more effectually pre- venting Embezzlements by Persons employed in the Public Service of His Majesty.	The whole.			
2&3W.4. c.86.		The whole.			
4 W.4. c.7.	An Act to repeal, at the Period within mentioned, so much of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled "An Act to alter certain Rates of Postage, and to amend, explain, and enlarge several Provisions in an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne and in other Acts relating to the Re- venue of the Post Office," as au- thorizes the taking of certain Rates of Inland Postage within His Majesty's Dominions in North	The whole.			
6 W. 4. c. 25.	America. An Act for granting an additional Rate of Postage on Letters be- tween Great Britain and Ireland by way of Milford and Water- ford.	So far as relates to the Application of the Rates and the Repair of Roads.			
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An Act for the Management of the Post Office. -[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to repeal the several Laws ' relating to the Post Office ;' be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That on the Day on which the recited Act shall come into operation this Act shall come into operation for the Management of the Post Office within the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and all other Her Majesty's Dominions and Territories.

II. And be it enacted, That Her Majesty's present Postmaster General, and the Person or Persons to be from Time to Time hereafter appointed by the Queen's Majesty by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, shall be the . Master of the Post Office by the Style of Her Majesty's Postmaster General; and wheresoever within the United Kingdom and other Her Majesty's Dominions Posts or Post Communications are now or may be hereafter established, the Postmaster General, by himself or by his Deputies and their respective Servants and Agents, shall have the exclusive Privilege of conveying from one Place to another all Letters, except in the following Cases, and shall also have the exclusive Privilege of performing all the incidental Services of receiving, collecting, sending, despatching, and delivering all Letters, except in the following Cases; (that is to say,)

Letters sent by a private Friend in his Way, Journey, or Travel, so as such Letters be delivered by such Friend to the Party to whom they shall be directed:

Letters sent by a Messenger on Purpose, concerning the private Affairs of the Sender or Receiver thereof:

- Commissions or Returns thereof, and Affidavits and Writs, Process or Proceedings, or Returns thereof, issuing out of a Court of Justice :
- Letters sent out of the United Kingdom by a private Vessel (not being a Packet Boat):

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Commencement df Act.

Creation of the exclusive Privilege of the Post Office.

Exceptions from the exclusive Privilege of the Post Office.

Letters of Merchants, Owners of Vessels of Merchandize, or the Cargo or Loading therein, sent by such Vessels of Merchandize, or by any Person employed by such Owners for the Carriage of such Letters, according to their respective Directions, and delivered to the respective Persons to whom they shall be directed, without paying or receiving Hire or Reward, Advantage or Profit for the same in

Letters concerning Goods or Merchandize sent by common known Carriers, to be delivered with the Goods which such Letters concern, without Hire or Reward or other Profit or Advantage for receiving or delivering such Letters:

But nothing herein contained shall authorize any Person to make a Collection of such excepted Letters for the Purpose of sending them in the Manner hereby authorized:

And the following Persons are expressly forbidden to carry a Special Probi-Letter, or to receive or collect or deliver a Letter, although they bitions. shall not receive Hire or Reward for the same; (that is to say,)

- Common known Carriers, their Servants or Agents, except a Letter concerning Goods in their Carts or Waggons or on their Pack Horses, and Owners, Drivers, or Guards of Stage Coaches:
- Owners, Masters, or Commanders of Ships, Vessels, Steam Boats, or Boats called or being Passage or Packet Boats, sailing or passing Coastwise or otherwise between Ports or Places within Great Britain or Ireland, or between, to, or from a Port or Ports within Her Majesty's Dominions or Territories out of the United Kingdom, or their Servants or Agents, except in respect of Letters of Merchants, Owners of Ships or Goods on board:

Passengers or other Persons on board any such Ships, Vessels, Steam Boat, Passage or Packet Boat:

The Owners of, or Sailors, Watermen, or others on board a Ship, Vessel, Steam Boat, or other Boat or Barge passing or repassing on a River or navigable Canal within the United Kingdom or other Her Majesty's Dominions.

III. And be it enacted, That there shall be One General General Post Post Office in the City of London, where Letters may be received from all Places within the United Kingdom and Parts beyond the Seas, and whence all Letters may be despatched to all Places within the United Kingdom and Parts beyond the Seas.

IV. And to the Intent that there may be other Chief Letter in other Places. Offices from which the Distances for which the Rates of Postage granted by the Post Office Acts may be computed, be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may keep a Chief Letter Office at each of the following Places; (that is to say,)

The City of Edinburgh,

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The Islands of Jersey and Guernsey,

Each of Her Majesty's Provinces or Colonies in North America,

Each of the Islands of the West Indies,

And in any other of Her Majesty's Provinces or Dominions wheresoever,

And in any other Places abroad where he shall deem the same expedient.

Cross Letter Posts.

V. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may establish any Cross Posts or Stages between any Places, and may continue Posts of that Description which are already established; and he may continue Bye-bags as hath been heretofore accustomed, the respective Postages of Letters conveyed thereby being duly accounted for and paid by the Officers receiving the same to the Receiver General of the Post Office for the Use of Her Majesty; and he may undertake, at the Expence of the Post Office, the Conveyance of Letters by Post (including the incidental Services of Collection and Delivery) between Post Towns and Places not Post Towns, and between one Place and another, both not being Post Towns, at such Rates of Postages for such extra Services as may from Time to Time be mutually agreed upon between the Postmaster General and the Inhabitants respectively; nevertheless, the Inhabitants of Places where any such Convention Posts shall be established may carry or recarry, or employ any Person to carry or recarry, any Letters between such Places respectively.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may extend the Twopenny Post of London to any Distance from London he may think fit; and, with the Consent of the Lord Lieutenant, may extend the Penny or Twopenny Post of Dublin to any Distance from Dublin; and he may establish a Penny Post Office in any other City or Town, or the Suburbs thereof, or Places adjacent, within the United Kingdom or other Her Majesty's Dominions, and may continue as long as he may deem expedient all Posts of that Description now established; and he may from Time to Time alter the Limits of any Twopenny or Penny Posts.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may enter into an Agreement with or take Security from any Person applying to him to extend the Accommodations of the Post to any Place for indemnifying the Revenue against the Expences which shall be incurred thereby beyond the Amount of Postages received, and the Indemnification may be either for the Whole or Part of the Expences incurred, and for such Time as the Postmaster General shall think necessary.

VIII. And for the better Management of the Post Office, be it enacted, That the Postmaster General shall observe such Orders and Instructions concerning the Settlement of Posts and Stages upon the several Roads, Cross Roads, and Byeways within the United Kingdom and other Her Majesty's Dominions as Her Majesty shall from Time to Time give in that Behalf.

IX. And

Indemnity for increased Charge of extending Post Office Accommodations.

Twopenny and Penny Posts.

Postmaster General subject to Her Majesty's Orders.

IX. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may Power to spappoint sufficient Deputies, Agents, and Servants under him, point Deputies. for the better managing the Post Office Revenue at the several Places within the United Kingdom and other Her Majesty's Dominions where Posts or Post Communications shall be established; and whenever the Postmaster General is by the Post Office Laws empowered or required to do any Act, all such Deputies, Servants, and Agents, according to the Nature and Extent of their Commission or Deputation or Appointment, shall be construed to be so empowered or required, unless the contrary be expressed therein.

X. And be it enacted, That no Person hereafter appointed Condition to shall be capable of holding the Office of Postmaster General, or be observed of being an Officer of the Post Office, unless such Person shall Post Office can have first made and subscribed the Declaration contained in be held. the Schedule hereunto annexed before a Justice of the Peace acting for the Place where such Person resides, which Declaration such Justice shall (on Application to that Effect) administer and take accordingly.

XI. And be it enacted, That the Letters Patent granted by Saving of Patent His late Majesty, and dated the Thirtieth Day of May One of Postmaster General, and thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, appointing the Right other Appoint-Honourable Thomas William Earl of Lichfield to the Office of ments. Postmaster General for the United Kingdom and other Her Majesty's Dominions, by the Name of "His Majesty's Postmaster General," and all Powers, Privileges, and Pre-eminences to the Office of Postmaster General belonging and in force at the Commencement of this Act, shall continue in force as if the same had been afterwards granted by virtue of this Act; and that all Commissions, Deputations, and Appointments granted to any of the Officers of the Post Office in force at the Commencement of this Act shall continue in force as if the same had been afterwards granted by virtue of this Act; and that all Bonds to the Crown, or any other Person on behalf of the Crown, which shall have been given by such Officers and their respective Sureties for good Conduct in their respective Offices or otherwise, shall remain in force, and that the Postmaster General shall have all the same Powers and Immunities, Rights and Privileges, as the Two Postmasters General of Great Britain and Ireland would have been entitled to in right of their respective Offices in case they had been separately appointed by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain and Ireland respectively; and that all Contracts and Agreements or other Engagements entered into by, with, or between Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Time being in Great Britain and Ireland and any other Person, and all Bonds, Instruments, or other Securities for the due Performance of the same, shall be of the like Force as the same would have been in case the said recited Act of the present Session, intituled An Act to repeal the several Laws relating to the Post Office, 1Vict. c. 39. had not been passed.

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XII. And

Persons employed by the Post Office exempted from certain Offices. Cap. 33.

Monies to be paid into the Exchequer.

Charges of Post Office how to be paid.

Reciprocal Application of the Revenues of the British and **Irish Post** Offices to the Service of cach other.

Separate Ac-Revenues.

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Duty of Accountant General.

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XII. And to the end that the Postmaster General and his Officers may not be hindered in their respective Employments, be it enacted, That no Postmaster General nor any Officer of the Post Office shall be compelled to serve as a Mayor or Sheriff, or in any Ecclesiastical or Corporate or Parochial or other Public Office or Employment, or to serve on any Jury or Inquest, or in the Militia; any Law or Custom to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the Monies to arise by the several Duties granted by the Post Office Acts (except the Monies which shall be necessary to defray such Expences as shall be incurred in the Receipt and Management of the same, and except all Annuities and yearly Sums now charged thereon by Law,) shall be paid into the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer, and carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

XIV. And be it enacted, That all Charges, Outgoings, and Disbursements necessary for the Receipt and Management of the Duties of Postage, and all other Expences attending the Management of the Post Office and the due Execution of the several Post Office Acts, shall be allowed and paid in like Manner as the same have heretofore been allowed and paid.

XV. 'And whereas there is a separate Receivership and ' Accountancy of the Post Office Revenues in Great Britain ' and Ireland respectively, and such Revenues are paid into ' Her Majesty's Exchequer in different Ways;' be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may apply to the Revenue of the Post Office of Great Britain the Amount of all Rates of Postage received in Great Britain on Letters sent to or from Ireland, and may apply to the Revenue of the Post Office of Ireland the Amount of all Rates of Postage received in Ireland on Letters sent to or from Great Britain, and all Sums so received shall be paid and applied as the Revenue of Postage arising in Great Britain and Ireland respectively.

XVI. And be it enacted, That at the Time of paying the counts of certain Post Office Revenue into Her Majesty's Exchequer the respective Receivers General of England and Ireland shall distinguish in their Accounts the respective additional Rates of Postage granted in respect of the Menai and Conway Bridges, and on Letters conveyed by way of Milford and Waterford; and having deducted in such Accounts the necessary Charges of paying, collecting, and accounting for the same, shall pay the Amount thereof into the Exchequer, on account of the Persons by Law entitled to receive the same, to be carried to the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and to be applied as the same respectively are now or shall at any Time hereafter be applicable by Law.

> XVII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General shall cause an Account to be kept by an Accountant General in England and Ireland respectively of all Monies arising from the Duties of Postage as they shall from Time to Time be brought. into

into the Post Office to the Hands of the Receivers General of the Post Office in England or Ireland : Provided always, that the Powers, Authorities, and Duties of the said Accountant General shall be to the Extent and shall be exercised in the like Manner as they have heretofore existed and been exercised under the Provisions of any Act in force at the Commencement of the present Session, notwithstanding any thing in the Post Office Acts to the contrary, subject to such Alterations and Regulations as may from Time to Time be made by the Postmaster General, with the Concurrence of the Lords of the Treasury.

XVIII. And in order that the Progress of Her Majesty's Tolls on Mails Mails may not be retarded by the Demand of Tolls at Toll at Gates, but to Gates or other Places where Tolls are by Law chargeable on be paid periodi-Horses and Carriages passing such Places, be it enacted, That cally by Post no Person shall demand any Toll upon the passing of any Carriage or Horse conveying the Mail at Places where Tolls are otherwise demandable, but such Tolls shall be accounted for and paid by Her Majesty's Postmaster General according to the following Provisions; (that is to say,)

- The Tolls leviable in Scotland shall be paid out of the Revenue Tolls in Scotof the Post Office in Scotland at such Time and in such land. Manuer as may be agreed upon between the several Trustees entitled to receive the same and Her Majesty's Postmaster General, but so that Payment shall be made at least once in every Three Calendar Months; and the Trustees of any Turnpike Road in Scotland may enter into any Agreement with Her Majesty's Postmaster General as to the Amount of Tolls that shall be paid for a Mail Coach travelling along such Turnpike Road, without any Limitation as to the Amount of the Tolls to be payable, or the Number of Years for which such Agreement shall subsist; nevertheless, when such an Agreement shall not be made, or being made shall not be performed, then the several Tolls leviable for such Carriage or Horses carrying the said Mail or Packet may be recoverable in the Name of the respective Treasurers or Clerks of the respective Trusts in the Court of Session in Scotland by summary Application against Her Majesty's Postmaster General:
- And with respect to the Tolls leviable in Ireland the Postmaster Tolls in Ireland. General shall cause an Account to be kept of all Tolls payable for Four-wheel Carriages carrying Her Majesty's Mail at the respective Turnpike Gates, either on Turnpike Roads or at the Ends of Bridges through which they shall pass, and shall from Time to Time cause the Amount thereof to be paid by equal quarterly Payments to the Treasurers to the Turnpike Roads and to the Treasurers of the Bridges or other Persons to whom such Tolls are respectively payable; but no Mail Coach, Mail Diligence, or Mail Cart conveying or employed to carry any Mail or Bag of Letters in Ireland shall be charged with any Toll more than once in the same Division of Road in the same Day, calculating from Twelve of the Clock

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Clock at Night till Twelve of the Clock the succeeding Night, and no Change of Horses shall subject any such Coaches, Diligence, or Cart to any additional Toll at any Turnpike Gate whatsoever, except where any additional Toll shall be payable by virtue of any Act in force immediately preceding the passing of the Act for repealing the several Laws relating to the Post Office first herein recited.

XIX. And in order that the Charges of the Post Office may not be unnecessarily increased by the Addition of other Charges of a public Nature, be it enacted, That no Toll shall in England be demanded or taken by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament, on any Turnpike Road for any Horses or Carriages of whatever Description employed in conveying Mails or Expresses under the Authority of the Postmaster General, either when employed in conveying, fetching, or guarding such Mails or Expresses, or in returning back from conveying or guarding the same, except where such Horses or Carriages were legally chargeable with Toll immediately preceding the passing of the Act for repealing the several Laws relating to the Post Office first herein recited; and no Turnpike Tolls shall in Scotland be charged on Carriages with Two Wheels conveying only the Mail or Packet, with their Driver, and any Horse or Horses drawing the same, and any Horse not drawing employed in conveying the said Mail or Packet; and no Turnpike Tolls shall in Ireland be charged on Carriages with Two Wheels conveying the Mail or Packet, and any Horse or Horses drawing the same, and any Horse not drawing, employed in conveying the said Mail or Packet, except where any such respective Horses or Carriages were legally chargeable with Toll immediately preceding the passing of the Act for repealing the several Laws relating to the Post Office first herein recited.

XX. And be it enacted, That wherever the Consent or Direction or any other Act of the Lords of the Treasury is prescribed by the Post Office Acts, such Consent or Direction or any other Act may be signified either under the Hands of the Lords of the Treasury or any Three of them, or under the Hand of One of their Secretaries or Assistant Secretaries.

XXI. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of this Act shall be construed according to the respective Interpretations of the Terms and Expressions contained in an Act passed in the present Session, initialed An Act for consolidating the Laws relative to Offences against the Post Office of the United Kingdom, and for regulating the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws; ond for explaining certain Terms and Expressions employed in those Laws, so far as those Interpretations are not repugnant to the Subject or inconsistent with the Context of such Provisions.

XXII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed or altered during the present Session of Parliament.

Exemption from Tolls in favour of the Mails :

England :

Scotland :

Ireland.

Acts of the Treasury how to be signified.

Interpretation Clause.

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Act may be altered.

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SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

I do solemnly and sincerely declare, That I will not wittingly or willingly open or delay, or cause or suffer to be opened or delayed, contrary to my Duty, any Letter or any thing sent by the Post which shall come into my Hands or Custody by reason of my Employment relating to the Post Office, except by the Consent of the Person or Persons to whom the same shall be directed, or by an express Warrant in Writing under the Hand of One of the Principal Secretaries of State [or, as to Ireland, under the Hand or Hands of the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland,] for that Purpose, or except in such Cases where the Party or Parties to whom such Letter or any thing sent by the Post shall be directed, and who is or are chargeable with the Payment of the Postage thereof, shall refuse or neglect to pay the same, and except such Letters or any thing sent by the Post as shall be returned for Want of true Directions, or when the Party or Parties to whom the same shall be directed cannot be found; and that I will not in any way embezzle any such Letter or any thing sent by the Post as aforesaid; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously intending to fulfil and obey the same, and by virtue of the Provisions of an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the Management and Regulation of the Post Office."

This Declaration was made before me the Day of

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An Act for the Regulation of the Duties of Postage. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to repeal the several Laws 1 Vict. c. 32. ' relating to the Post Office;' be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That on the Day on which the recited Act shall When Act shall come into operation this Act shall come into operation for come into providing for the Payment of the Duties of Postage.

II. And be it enacted, That the respective Rates of Postage Rates of Postage herein-after set forth shall be charged by Her Majesty's Postmaster General, for the Use of Her Majesty, on all Letters not specially exempted from Postage, which shall be transmitted by Post; and such Postage shall be paid as follows :-- In all Cases in which it shall be so required by the Post Office Acts, or by any Regulations made by the Postmaster General in pursuance thereof, the Postage shall be paid by the Sender on delivering the Letter to the Post Office; in other Cases it shall be optional with

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with the Sender to pay the Postage on delivering the Letter to the Post Office; and if the Postage shall not have been paid by the Sender it shall be paid by the Person to whom the Letter is addressed, on the Delivery thereof to him; but nevertheless, if the Letter be refused, or the Party to whom it is addressed shall be dead or cannot be found, the Writer or Sender shall pay the Postage; and this Enactment shall apply to every Packet, Newspaper, and periodical Publication, and every thing whatsoever chargeable with Postage, which shall be transmitted by the Post.

British Inland Postage, III. And be it enacted, That the Rates of Inland Postage for Letters transmitted by the General Post within *Great Britain*, and within the Islands of *Jersey*, *Guernsey*, and the *Isle of Man*, shall be as follows:--

For every Single Letter to a Place at any Distance from the Post Office where the Letter shall be put in—

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170	-	-	-	230	-	-	0	11
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any Part of	Sco	tland by	a Mai	l Carri	age	now		
or hereafter	esta	blished	with n	nore th	an 7	ſwo		
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Irish Inland Postage. IV. And be it enacted, That the Rates of Inland Postage for Letters transmitted by the General Post within *Ireland* shall be as follows:—

For every Single Letter to a Place at a Distance (computed by *Irish* Miles) from the Office where the Letter shall be put in—

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Not exceeding		-		7	-	-	0	2	
Exceeding 7 a	nd no	ot excee	ding	15	•	-	0	8	
Ŭ 15	•	-	-	25	-	-	0	4	
25	-	-	-	35	-	-	0	5	
35	-	-	-	45	-	-	0	6	
45	-	-	-	55	-	-	0	7	
55	-	-	-	65	•	-	0	8	
65	-	-	-	95	-	-	0	9	
95	-	-`	-	120	-	-	0	10	
120	-	-	-	150	-	-	0	11	
150	-	-	-	200	-	-	1	0	
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Exceeding 200 and not exceeding	250	-	-	1	1
250	300	•	-	1	2
And for every 100 Miles above		-	-	0	I
And for every fractional Part of	`				
a Distance of 100 Miles above	300	-	-	0.	1

V. And be it enacted, That where a Letter shall be trans- Further addimitted by the Post over a Distance in Great Britain as well tional Rates. as over a Distance in *Ireland* the like Rates of Postage shall be payable for the whole Distances both in Great Britain and Ireland as would be payable on Letters sent for the whole of such Distances within Great Britain only, in addition to the Packet Rates which may be payable for Letters transmitted between Great Britain and Ireland.

VI. And be it enacted, That the following additional Rates Additional shall be payable for every Single Letter transmitted by Packet Packet Rates. **Boat**: (videlicet.) s. d.

Between the Ports of Portpatrick in Scotland and			
Donughadee in Ireland	0	4	
Between either Holyhead or Milford Haven and			
any Port in Ireland	0	2	
Between Liverpool and Dublin or any other Port			
in Ireland	0	8	

Nevertheless no Letter sent between Great Britain and Ireland by way of *Liverpool* shall be charged a higher Postage than if it were sent by way of Holyhead; nor shall any Letter sent between Ireland and Great Britain, or any Place beyond the Seas, be charged with any Postage for Conveyance between Kingstown and Dublin, or between Dunmore and Waterford; nor shall any Letters between Kingstown and Dunmore and any Place in Great Britain be charged more than for the actual Distance between Kingstown and Dunmore and any such Place in Great Britain.

VII. And be it enacted, That the following furt		
tional Rates shall be payable on every Single Letter to	ransmitted	2
to or from <i>Ireland</i> ; (that is to say,)	s. d.	-

By way of Holyhea					0	1
By way of Conway	and	<i>Chester</i> in	respect of	E Con-		
wny Bridge	-	-	-	-	0	1

By way of Milford and Waterford

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Rates for Letters trans- London Twomitted by the Twopenny Post in London shall be as follows :----For every Letter transmitted by such Post be- s. d. tween Places within the Limits of Delivery for the Time being of the General Post 0 2 For every Letter transmitted by such Post be-

tween a Place within the said Limits and any Place beyond the same, or between Places both of which are beyond the said Limits -0 And for every Letter originally sent by the

General Post directed to Places beyond the Р [No.15. Price 2d.]

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said Limits and delivered by the Twopenny £. Post, and for every Letter originally sent by the Twopenny Post and afterwards passing through the General Post, in addition to all other Rates chargeable thereon IX. And be it enacted, That the Rates for Letters trans-

Dublin Penny Post.

mitted by the Penny Post in Dublin shall be as follows :-For every Letter transmitted by such Post bed. 1 tween Places within the Limits of such Penny

- Post And for every Letter transmitted between Places within the said Limits and Places beyond them, or between Places both of which are beyond the said Limits 0
- And for every Letter originally sent by the General Post directed to Places beyond the Limits of the said General Post in Dublin and delivered by the Penny Post, and for every Letter originally sent by the said Penny Post, whether within the said Limits or not, and afterwards passing through the General Post, in addition to all other Rates chargeable

thereon . Nevertheless the Limits of the Twopenny and Penny Post, both of London and Dublin, as now fixed, shall be subject to such Alteration and Extension as shall from Time to Time be made by the Postmaster General.

X. And be it enacted, That every Letter transmitted by a Penny Post established or to be established in or from or to any City, Town, or Place in the United Kingdom or other Her Majesty's Dominions (other than London or Dublin) shall (whether passing through the General Post or not) be liable to a Rate of One Penny for Transmission by any such Post.

XI. And be it enacted, That no Letter which shall exceed the Weight of Four Ounces shall be forwarded by a Twopenny or Penny Post, unless it shall have first passed or unless it shall be afterwards to pass by the General Post.

XII. And be it enacted, That the Rates of Packet Postage for Letters transmitted by Post between the United Kingdom and Her Majesty's Colonies shall (in addition to any Inland Postage incurred by Transmission for any Distance within the United Kingdom) be as follows; (that is to say,)

or every Single Letter	s .	d. '
Between the Port of Weymouth and any Port in		
Jersey or Guernsey	0	3
Between any Port in Jersey and any Port in		
Guernsey	0	3
Between the Port of Liverpool and any Port in		
the Isle of Man	0	6
Between the Port of Falmouth and any Port in		
the British Dominions in North America or	-	
the West Indies	1	.3

Penny Post in Towns.

Limitation as to Weight of Letters.

Packet Rate between the United Kingdom and the Colonies.

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Or between any other convenient Ports than suc above named, from or to which the Post Office			
may from Time to Time be dispatched.			
XIII. And be it enacted, That the Rates of Foreign	P	ostage	Foreign Rates.
for Letters transmitted by Post between the United	Kin	ordom	
and Foreign Parts shall be as follows; (that is to say,)		8-0	
For every Single Letter		d.	•
Between London and France	-	10	
Between Dovor and Calais (not to or from Lon-	Ŭ	10	
don)	0	3	
Between London and Germany by way of France	-	4	
Between London and Switzerland by way of France	î		
Between London and Spain by way of France -	î	7	
Between London and the following Places by way	•	•	
of France; (videlicet,) Italy, Sicily, Venetian			
Lombardy, Malta, the Ionian Islands, Greece,	•		
Turkey, the Levant, the Archipelago, Syria, or			
Egypt	1	7	
Between London and Holland	î	4	
Between London and Belgium	î	4	
	î	8	
Between London and Germany	î	8	
Between London and Denmark	î	8	
Between London and Sweden and other Parts of	•	0	
the North of Germany	1	8	
Between London and Spain otherwise than by way	-	•	
of France	2	2	•
Between London and the following Countries	-	-	
through Belgium or Holland or Germany;			
(videlicet,) Italy, Sicily, Venetian Lombardy,			
Malta, the Ionian Isles, Greece, Turkey, the			
Levant, the Archipelago, Syria, or Egypt -	1	8	
Nevertheless all Foreign Letters herein rated between	L		
and a Place abroad which shall be sent to or from a	ıy İ	Place	
in the United Kingdom without coming to or passing			
London shall be charged as if they had been sent from	m	orto	
London (Letters from or to France only excepted):			
And the Rates of Foreign Postage for every Single	e L	etter	
transmitted by Packet Boats exclusively shall be as follo	WS	:	
Between a Port in the United Kingdom and	8.	d.	
	1	7	
Between a Port in the United Kingdom and the			
Town or Fortress of Gibraltar	1	11	
Between a Port in the United Kingdom and the			
Island of Malta, the Ionian Islands, the King-	_	_	
dom of Greece, or any Port in Syria or Egypt -	2	3	
Between the Town or Fortress of Gibraltar (not			
having been first conveyed thither from the			
United Kingdom) and the Island of Malta, the	•	0	
Ionian Islands, Greece, Syria, or Egypt -	0	8	
Between a Port in the United Kingdom and the	1	9	
Laland of Madeira P 2	Ţ	8	
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Between a Port in the United Kingdom and d. · 8. any Port in the Island of Cuba in the West Indies or any Port in Columbia or Mexico 2 1 Between any Ports in the British Possessions in the West Indies and any Port in Columbia or 1 0 Mexico Between any Port in the United Kingdom and Brazil 2 7 Between any Port in the United Kingdom and Buenos Ayres or any other Ports on the Continent of South America (other than Columbia, Brazil, or Mexico) 2 5 Between any Port in the United Kingdom and

any Ports in the Island of Saint Domingo - 1 3 And the foregoing Rates shall be in addition to any Inland or other Postage for Transmission within the United Kingdom, except that Letters herein rated between London and a Place abroad shall not be charged any Inland Rate for the Distance between London and the Outport at which the Packet Boats conveying the same shall be stationed, but for the Distance any such Letters shall be conveyed to London (when going Outwards) or from London (when coming Inwards) the Inland Rates shall be payable:

Reduction of Inland Rates on Foreign Letters.

Nevertheless the Inland Rates on any such Foreign Letters shall be subject to the following Reductions; (that is to say,)

For every Letter between London and France, or between London and any Country on the Continent of Europe, Malta, Sicily, the Ionian Isles, Turkey, Levant, or the Archipelago (passing through France, Belgium, Holland, or Germany, or between London and Spain otherwise than through France):

- If put in the Post Office beyond Twenty Miles s. d. from London, or delivered by the Post Office at any Place exceeding that Distance from
 - London, on each Single Letter - 0°2
- If put in the Post Office or delivered by the Post Office at any Place not exceeding Twenty Miles

from London, on each Single Letter - - 0 1 And a proportionate Reduction in both Cases for Double, Treble, and Ounce Letters:

And for every Letter sent by Packet Boat to Portugal or Gibroltar, or the British Dominions in America or the West Indies (except Cuba and Saint Domingo), or Malta, or the Ionian Isles, or the Kingdom of Greece, Syria or Egypt, Madeira or Brazil, or received by Packet Boats from those Places, the Inland Rate for every Single Letter shall be reduced One Penny, with a proportionate Reduction for Double, Treble, and Ounce Letters; but no Reduction shall be made on Letters sent to or received from Buenos Ayres, Columbia, Mexico, Cuba, or Saint Domingo.

Postmaster empowered to XIV. And for the Regulation of the Communication by Post with Foreign Countries, be it enacted, That in all Cases

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in which there shall be a Treaty between the Postmaster treat with General and the Post Office of a Foreign Country for col-Foreign lecting and accounting for the British Postage on Foreign Letters sent by the Post from the United Kingdom to that Foreign Country, or to any other Foreign Country, the Postmaster General may, so long as the Treaty or Agreement shall continue in force, receive upon any such Foreign Letter, from the Sender, the Postage both British and Foreign in one entire Sum, and upon Foreign Letters addressed to Places within Her Majesty's Dominions may, whether there shall be any such Treaty or not, charge the Foreign Postage in addition to the British Postage, and he may account for and pay over to the Foreign Countries entitled to receive the same the Amount of all such Foreign Postage; and it shall be optional with the Sender of a Foreign Letter to a Foreign Country included in such Treaty, or to which the same shall extend, either to pay the British and Foreign Postage thereof in one entire Sum, or to send the Letter without paying any Postage either British or Foreign, or he may otherwise pay the British Postage only; and, subject to this Enactment, the Postmaster General may cause the Postage of all Letters sent out of the United Kingdom to be paid on being put into the Post Office.

XV. And be it enacted, That the Foreign Postage marked Foreign Poston a Letter brought into the United Kingdom shall in all age marked on Letter conclu-Courts of Justice and other Places be received as conclusive sive Evidence Evidence of the Amount of Foreign Postage payable in respect thereof. of such Letter, in addition to the British Postage, and such Foreign Postage shall be recoverable within the United Kingdom and other Her Majesty's Dominions as Postage due to Her Majesty.

XVI. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may Postmaster, with at any Time reduce all or any of the British Rates of Postage Consent of the Treasury, may on Foreign Letters to such Extent as the Lords of the Treasury reduce Rates. shall from Time to Time direct.

XVII. 'And whereas it may be expedient that Packet Boats Establishment ' should be established to Her Majesty's Colonies and Foreign of new Packet Rates. · Parts where Rates of Postage have not hitherto been autho-

' rized, and at a Time when Parliament may not be sitting;' be it enacted, That from the Establishment of any such Packet Postmaster em-Boats, the Postmaster General may, with the Consent of the powered to Lords of the Treasury, charge for all Letters conveyed by such the start starts is the start of the star Packet Boats to the new Packet Port the Rates payable for Letters transmitted between the United Kingdom and the Packet Port nearest to any such new Packet Port: Provided subject to Aunevertheless, that in the then next Session of Parliament such thorization of Packet Rates to such new Packet Port shall be authorized by Law.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General Power to conmay contract for the Conveyance of Mails of Letters by British tract with private Vessels between any Places whatsoever, and may forward the carry Mails. same accordingly, and charge for such Conveyance the Packet Rates of Postage.

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XIX. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may collect and receive Letters directed to any Place in the United Kingdom, or any other Place within Her Majesty's Dominions or any Foreign Countries (the Cape of Good Hope, Ceylon, the Mauritius, and the East Indies excepted), and may forward the same by any Vessels, although not Packet Boats or Ships by which he shall have contracted for the Conveyance of Mails, and may charge for all Letters delivered to the Post Office for Conveyance in that Manner at the Time of such Delivery the following Rates of Postage; (that is to say,)

s. d. For every Single Letter, except between Great Britain and Ireland, posted at the Port from which the Ship shall sail or at which she touches, a Rate of 0

If posted at any other Part of the United Kingdom 1

And between Great Britain and Ireland, or any Port or Place in Great Britain or Ireland, in addition to any Inland Rates, for every Single Letter

Sea Postage on Letters not brought by Packet Boats.

East India Postage.

East India Postage on Letters not sent by Packet Boat.

Exemption from Ship Letter Postage.

XX. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may charge for every Single Letter brought into the United Kingdom by Vessels other than Packet Boats from Places within Her Majesty's Dominions, and any Kingdoms and Countries beyond the Seas (the Cape of Good Hope, Ceylon, the Mauritius, and the East Indies excepted), a Sea Postage, in addition to any Inland Rates, of Eight-pence.

XXI. And be it enacted, That for every Letter which shall be brought into the United Kingdom by any Vessel arriving from Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope the following Sea Postage, in addition to any Inland Postage, shall be payable; (that is to say,) d.

For every Letter not exceeding the Weight

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If exceeding the Weight of Three Ounces 1 0 per Ounce. XXII. And be it enacted, That for Letters delivered to the Post Office to be sent out to Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope, by Ships and Vessels other than Packet Boats, shall be payable, in addition to Inland Rates, d.

For every Letter not exceeding Three

Ounces a Sea Postage of

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If exceeding that Weight 1 0 per Ounce. XXIII. And be it enacted, That the following Persons shall have their Letters free from Sea Postage, (that is to say,) the Owners, Charterers, or Consignees (resident in the United Kingdom) of Vessels Inward-bound, and the Owners, Consignees, or Shippers of Goods on board Vessels Inward-bound; but the Letters brought by any One Vessel to any One such Person shall not collectively exceed Six Ounces in Weight (except in the Case of Letters brought by Vessels coming from Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope,

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Hope, for an Owner, Charterer, or Consignee of such Vessel, in which Case they may be collectively Twenty Ounces in Weight); and the Owner, Charterer, or Consignee shall be described as such on the Address and Superscription, and in the Case of Owners, Shippers, or Consignees of Goods, it shall also appear by the Ship's Manifest that they have Goods on board the Vessel; and the Persons hereby exempted shall be entitled to have their Letters which come within the above Conditions before the Master of the Vessel delivers the other Letters in his Charge to the Post Office.

XXIV. And for encouraging Masters of Vessels not being Regulation Post Office Packets to undertake the Conveyance of Letters respecting Ship between Places in the United Kingdom and between the United Kingdom and Places beyond the Seas, and for regulating the Conveyance and Delivery of such Letters, be it enacted, That Remuneration the Postmaster General may allow to the Masters thereof Two- to Masters of Vessels. pence for each Letter which they shall receive from the Post Office when Outward-bound, and Two pence for each Letter which they shall deliver to the Post Office at the first Port at which they touch or arrive or with which they communicate when Inward-bound; and if from unforeseen Circumstances the Master cannot upon delivering his Letters at an Outport receive the Money to which he is entitled he shall be paid by means of an Order of the Postmaster General at such other Place as may be convenient; but the Allowance hereby provided shall not East India extend to Masters of Vessels bound to Ceylon, the Mauritius, the vessels are to carry Letters East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope, who shall carry Post without Remu-Letters outward without being entitled to Remuneration; and neration. every Master of a Vessel bound outward to Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope shall receive on board his Vessel every Post Letter Bag tendered to him for Conveyance, and having received the same shall deliver it on his Arrival at the Port or Place of his Destination without Delay; and every Master of a Vessel bound inward shall cause all Letters on board his Vessel, except those belonging to the Owners of the Vessel or of the Goods on board which do not exceed the prescribed Weights, and except Letters exceeding the Weight of Three Ounces, to be collected, and enclosed in some Bag or other Envelope, and to be sealed with his Seal, and to be addressed to any of Her Majesty's Deputy Postmasters in Great Britain or Ireland, that they may be in readiness to send on Shore by his own Boat, or by the Pilot Boat, or by any other safe or convenient Means, in order that Masters to cause the same may be delivered at the first regular Post Office which Letters to be can be communicated with, and shall likewise cause all Letters Post Office at exceeding the Weight of Three Ounces (except such as may be earliest Opporobtained by Owners, Charterers, Consignees, and Shippers of tunity; the Vessel or of the Goods on board thereof, as aforesaid) to be collected, and enclosed in some Bag, Box, or other Envelope, to be sealed and addressed as aforesaid, and shall deliver the same at the regular Port or Place where the Vessel shall report; to make a Deand shall at such Port or Place sign a Declaration, in the Pre- charation of P4

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sence of the Person authorized by the Postmaster General at such Port or Place, who shall also sign the same; and the Declaration shall be in the Form or to the Effect following; (that is to say,)

^c I A.B., Commander of the [state the Name of the Ship or ^c Vessel], arrived from [state the Place], do, as required by ^c Law, solemnly declare, That I have to the best of my Know-^c ledge and Belief delivered or caused to be delivered to the ^c Post Office every Letter, Bag, Package, or Parcel of Letters ^c that were on board the [state the Name of the Ship], except ^c such Letters as are exempted by Law.^c

And no Collector, Comptroller, or principal Officer of the Customs shall permit such Vessel to report till such Declaration shall be made and produced; and no Vessel shall be permitted by any Officer of Customs to break Bulk or to make Entry in any Port of the British Dominions until all Letters on board the same shall be delivered to the Post Office where Posts are or hereafter may be established, and from whence such Letters may be despatched by Post, except such Letters, Commissions, and other Matters and Things as are exempted by the Post Office Acts from the exclusive Privilege of the Postmaster General, and also except all such Letters as shall be brought by a Vessel liable to the Performance of Quarantine, all which last-mentioned Letters shall be delivered by the Persons having Possession thereof to the Persons appointed to superintend the Quarantine, that all proper Precautions may be by them taken before the Delivery thereof, and when due Care has been had therein the said Letters shall be by them despatched in the usual Manner by the Post; and the principal Officer of Customs at every Port shall search every Vessel for Letters which may be on board contrary to the Post Office Acts, and may seize all such Letters, and forward them to the nearest Post Office, and the Officer who shall so seize and send them shall be entitled to a Moiety of the Penalties which may be recovered for any such Offence; and in case an Officer of Her Majesty's Customs shall find a Letter superscribed as the Letter of an Owner or Charterer, or Consignee or Shipper, exceeding the Weight herein-before limited, then the Officer shall seize so many of the Letters as shall reduce the Remainder within the proper Weight, and he shall take the same to the nearest Post Office; and the Postmaster of the Place shall pay to the Officer delivering the same Two Shillings and Sixpence for every Post Letter so seized; and the Postmaster General may appoint any Person to demand from the Masters of Vessels arriving at or off a Port of the United Kingdom all Letters on board the same not exempted by the Post Office Acts, and the Master of any such Vessel shall forthwith deliver all Letters on board to such Person, on his demanding the same.

XXV. 'And whereas it may be expedient that certain Post 'Letters should be registered;' be it enacted, That in case the Postmaster General shall at any Time deem it expedient that any Post Letters should be registered by the Post Office, the Post-

No Vessels to be permitted to break Bulk till all Letters are delivered.

Exceptions.

Customs Officers may seize Letters, and shall have' Half the Penalties.

Registry of Letters.

Postmaster General may charge for each Letter so registered such Rate of Postage, in addition to any other Rates payable under the Post Office Acts, as the Postmaster General, with the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, shall from Time to Time direct (but such Registration shall not render the Postmaster General or the Post Office Revenue in any Manner liable for the Loss of any such Post Letters or the Contents thereof); and all registered Letters shall be delivered to the Post Office, and also be delivered by the Post Office at or between such Hours in the Day and under all such Regulations in every respect as the Postmaster General shall from Time to Time appoint, and the Postmaster General may therein require such Registration Rate to be paid on the Letter being put into the Post Office.

XXVI. And for computing the several Rates of Postage by Computing the the General Post, be it enacted, That every Post Letter (not a Rates of Foreign Letter) consisting of One Sheet or a single Piece of Postage. Paper under the Weight of One Ounce shall be charged as a Single Letter; and every Letter consisting of Two Sheets or British Letters: Two Pieces of Paper, or containing any Inclosure, shall be charged with Double the Rate of a Single Letter; and every Letter consisting of Three Sheets or Three Pieces of Paper, or containing Two Inclosures, shall be charged with Treble the Rate of a Single Letter; and no Letter shall be charged at a higher Rate than a Treble Letter, unless it be One Ounce in Weight, and in that Case, whether it be a Single or Double or Treble Letter, it shall be charged for One Ounce Four Times the Postage of a Single Letter, and for every Quarter of an Ounce beyond that Weight the Postage of a Single Letter; and all additional Rates of Postage shall be chargeable in like Manner: And the Postage of Foreign Letters shall be com- Foreign Letters. puted thus;-Letters between the United Kingdom and France, or between the United Kingdom and any other Country, Island, or Place, passing through France, shall be charged for every Letter consisting of One single Piece of Paper not exceeding One Ounce in Weight; and for any Letter, whatever may be the Number of Inclosures, not exceeding One Quarter of an Ounce in Weight, the Postage of a Single Letter; and for every Letter containing One Inclosure only, and not exceeding One Ounce in Weight, the Postage of a Double Letter; and for every Letter containing more than One Inclosure, whatever the Number of such Inclosures may be, exceeding One Quarter of an Ounce, but not exceeding One Half of an Ounce in Weight, the Postage of a Double Letter; and for every such last-mentioned Letter exceeding Half an Ounce and not exceeding One Ounce in Weight the Postage of a Treble Letter; and for every such Letter exceeding One Ounce in Weight the Postage of Four Single Letters; and for every Quarter of an Ounce above that Weight the Postage of a Single Letter: And the Postage of all other Foreign Letters shall be charged and computed thus,-for every Single Letter not exceeding the · Weight

Weight of an Ounce a Single Postage; for every Letter containing One Inclosure only Double the Postage of a Single Letter; and for every Treble Letter Treble the Postage of a Single Letter; and for every Ounce in Weight Four Times the Postage of a Single Letter; and for every Quarter of an Ounce above that Weight the Postage of a Single Letter: And with respect both to British and Foreign Letters, all Merchants Accounts, Bills of Exchange, Stamped Receipts, Invoices, Bills of Lading, and Proceedings at Law, written on one and the same Piece of Paper with a Letter, shall be allowed without Rate in the Price of the Letter; and any Piece or Sheet of Paper upon which Letters to several and distinct Persons shall be written shall not be chargeable with a higher Rate of Postage than if One Letter only were written upon such Sheet or Piece of Paper.

XXVII. And to the end that all Post Letters may be charged with Postage according to the Distance they are respectively carried by the Post, and for preventing Disputes touching the same, be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may appoint Persons to survey or measure, by the Wheel or otherwise, all the Post Roads which are now established or which shall hereafter be established in any Part of Great Britain or Ireland and other Her Majesty's Dominions; but before the Surveys shall be made the Persons appointed shall be sworn to perform the same according to the best of their Skill and Judgment; and the Oath shall be administered by a Justice of the Peace, who shall make a Certificate thereof in Writing, which Certificate shall be entered without Fee or Charge in the General Post Office of London, and in the chief Post Offices of Edinburgh and Dublin, and in the chief Post Offices established in any of Her Majesty's Dominions; and such Surveyors shall cause fair Surveys or Books to be made out, one of each whereof shall be left with Her Majesty's Postmaster General in London, and another of each shall be left at the chief Post Office in *Edinburgh* with the Postmaster General's Secretary there, and another of each of such Surveys or Books shall be left at the chief Post Office in Dublin with the Postmaster General's Secretary there, and another of each of such Surveys or Books shall be left at each of the chief Post Offices established in any other of Her Majesty's Dominions with the respective Deputies or Agents of the Postmaster General there, to remain in the said Post Offices; and each of such Surveys or Books shall be signed by the Person making the same, and he shall make Oath of the Truth of such Surveys; and such Oath shall be administered by a Justice of the Peace on Application to that Effect; and a Certificate of such Surveyor having sworn to the Truth thereof shall be signed by the Postmaster General, or by his Secretary or Deputy in such chief Post Office; and the Books and Surveys so verified shall determine the Distances on all the Post Roads surveyed; and in ease of Suspicion of Error or wrong Admeasurement the Postmaster General may cause new Surveys to be made, and the last Survey

Merchants Accounts.

Survey of Roads for Standards of Distances whereby to compute Postages.

Survey which shall be made, and shall be verified and attested in the Manner hereby prescribed, shall in all Courts of Justice be Evidence of the Distances on such Post Roads, and all Rates granted by this Act for Post Letters shall be paid according to such Surveys.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That the Articles enumerated in Special Rates the following Table may be sent free of Postage, or at a reduced respecting Rate of Postage, according to the Rates therein set forth :----Rate of Postage, according to the Rates therein set forth :--Printed British Newspapers :

Within the United Kingdom:

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By the General Post from one Post Town to
another within the United Kingdom Free.
By the General Post, and delivered by any Penny
or Twopenny Post Free.
By any Penny or Twopenny Post, and afterwards
passing by the General Post from one Post
Town to another Free.
By any Penny or Twopenny Post, and not passing
or intended to pass by the General Post - 1d. each.
By the General Post of a Post Town, addressed
to a Person within the Limits of that Place or
its Suburbs 1d. each.
Between Places within the United Kingdom :
By private Ships 1d. each.
Between the United Kingdom and Her Majesty's
Colonies;
By Packet Boats to any of Her Majesty's Colo-
nies and Possessions beyond the Seas - Free.
By private Ships 1d. each.
Printed Colonial Newspapers:
Brought into the United Kingdom by Packet
Boats Free.
Directed to a Place in any of Her Majesty's Colonies beyond the Seas, to pass through the
United Vinudem and to be formered by
United Kingdom and to be forwarded by Packet Boats
Brought into the United Kingdom by private
Ships, and delivered by the Master at the Post
Office 1d, each.
Newspapers between Foreign Countries and the
United Kingdom:
Printed British Newspapers :
Either by Packet Boats or private Ships, between
any Foreign Port (not in Her Majesty's Colo-
nies or Possessions) and the United Kingdom 2d. each.
When British Newspapers are allowed to pass by
Post in a Foreign Country free, then British
Newspapers addressed to such Foreign Country
may be transmitted to any Foreign Port by
Packet Boats Free.
If transmitted by private Ships 1d. each.

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Packets delivered at the General Post . Office, London, containing re-issuable Cash Notes only, issued by Country Bankers under Licence, and payable at their Agents in London (and which shall have been paid by them), for Conveyance to the Place where the Notes were issued (within Great Britain) subject to the Conditions hereinafter mentioned

Patterns:

- Packets or Covers containing Patterns or Samples, being open at the Sides, and not exceeding One Ounce, and without any Letter or Writing in, upon, or within any such Packet or Cover, other than the Name of the Sender, his Place of Abode, the Prices of the Articles contained therein, and the Name and Address of the Person to whom the Packet or Cover shall be sent
- Letters not open at the Sides contain- Postage of a Double ing Patterns or Samples, and not

exceeding One Ounce in Weight -

XXIX. And be it enacted, That although Newspapers may Not compulsory be sent by the Post, and thereupon are subject to the Rate to send News of Postage set forth in the above Table, it shall not be compulsory to send them by Post.

XXX. And be it enacted, That no printed Paper, whether Conditions to Newspaper, Votes and Proceedings in Parliament, or other be observed in Publication or Thing contained in the above Table, except- Papers by Post. ing Bankers Parcels and Pattern Letters, shall be sent by Post. either free or at a reduced Rate of Postage, unless the following Conditions shall be observed :-

First, It shall be sent without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides :

Second, There shall be no Words or Communication printed on the Paper after its Publication, or upon the Cover thereof. nor any Writing or Marks upon it or upon the Cover of it, except the Name and Address of the Person to whom sent:

Third, There shall be no Paper or Thing inclosed in or with any such Paper or Publication:

Fourth, And the said printed Papers and Publications shall be put into the Post Office at such Hours in the Day and under all such Regulations as the Postmaster General may appoint, including therein the Payment of Postage on such as are going out of the United Kingdom when put into the Post Office, if the Postmaster General shall so require :

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Fifth, All Foreign Newspapers brought into the United Kingdom under this Act to be printed in the Language of the Country from which they shall have been forwarded.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may examine any printed Paper or Packet which shall be sent by the Post without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides, in order to discover whether it is contrary in any respect to the Conditions hereby required to be observed, and also in the Case of Newspapers to ascertain in what Language the Newspapers brought into the United Kingdom from any Foreign Country shall be printed and published, and also in order to discover whether the Newspapers printed and published in the United Kingdom are duly stamped; and in case any One of the required Conditions has not been fulfilled the whole of every such Paper shall be charged with Treble the Duty of Postage, except as to Foreign Newspapers not printed in the Language of the Country from which they shall have been forwarded, which shall be charged with full Postage as Letters; and as to every such Paper going out of the United Kingdom, the Postmaster General may either detain the Paper, or forward the same by the Post charged with Treble the Duty of Postage; and in case a Newspaper printed in the United Kingdom and transmitted by the Post under this Act shall appear not to have been duly stamped the same shall be stopped, and sent to the Commissioners of Stamps either at London or Dublin, as the Case may be.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in which a Question shall arise whether a printed Paper is entitled to the Privileges of a Newspaper or other Publication hereby privileged, so far as respects the Transmission thereof by the Post under the Post Office Acts, the Question shall be referred to the Determination of the Postmaster General, whose Decision, with the Concurrence of the Lords of the Treasury, shall be final.

XXXIII. And for providing for the Transmission of Newspapers between the United Kingdom and Foreign Countries free of Postage, when satisfactory Proof shall be laid before the Postmaster General that British Newspapers, addressed either to a Person or to a Place within a Foreign Country, and also that Newspapers addressed to a Person or to a Place in the United Kingdom from such Foreign Country, are respectively allowed to pass by the Post within that Country free of Postage, be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may, with the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, transmit by Post British Newspapers addressed to a Person or to a Place in such Foreign Country from the United Kingdom to any Port out of the United Kingdom other than Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions, free from Postage; and he may, with the like Consent, receive from such Foreign Country Foreign Newspapers free from Postage; or he may, with the like Consent, charge for every Newspaper transmitted to or received from a Foreign Country

Postmaster and Treasury to determine Questions.

Transmission of Newspapers between the United Kingdom and Foreign Countries,

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Country a Rate of Postage which he may consider equivalent to the Rates of Postage payable in that Country on Newspapers either transmitted from or received in that Country; but in all Cases, whether the Newspaper be transmitted free or otherwise, subject to a Sea Postage of One Penny payable on the Newspaper being put into the Post Office for every Newspaper delivered at the Post Office to be conveyed by Vessels not being Post Office Packets, and also to a like Postage for every Newspaper received by Vessels not Post Office Packets addressed to a Person or to a Place within the United Kingdom.

XXXIV. And whereas Circumstances may arise which may Postmaster render it expedient again to impose the Rates of Two-pence on empowered to Newspapers; be it enacted, That the Postmaster General, with Foreign Duty the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, may again impose on Newspapers. the respective Rates of Two-pence both on Newspapers received from and sent to Foreign Countries.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General Transmission may, with the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, extend of Newspapers this Act, so far as it relates to Newspapers sent between the Colonies and United Kingdom and any Foreign Country, to Colonial News- Foreign papers sent through the United Kingdom to a Foreign Country, and to Foreign Newspapers sent through the United Kingdom to any Foreign Country or to any of Her Majesty's Colonies and Possessions beyond the Seas.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That every British Newspaper Time within sent by the Post out of the United Kingdom shall in all Cases which British be put into a Post Office or Receiving Office in the United besent abroad Kingdom within Seven Days next after the Day on which the in order to be same shall be published, the Day of Publication to be ascertained Postage free by the Date of such Paper; and in case a Paper shall be put must be put in the Post. into a Post Office after the Expiration of such Seven Days the Postmaster General may either detain the Paper, or forward it by Post charged with full Postage as a Letter.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That in case any Person to Foreign Newswhom a printed Newspaper brought into the United Kingdom papers addressed shall be directed shall have removed from the Place to which has removed to it shall be directed before the Delivery thereof at that Place, it be forwarded may (provided it shall not have been opened) be re-directed, without addiand forwarded by Post to such Person at any other Place within the United Kingdom, free of Charge for such extra Conveyance; but if the Newspaper shall have been opened it shall be charged with the Rate of a Single Letter from the Place of Re-direction to the Place at which it shall be ultimately delivered.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General Allowance to may allow the Masters of Vessels other than Packet Boats Master of Ve One Penny on every printed Newspaper, Foreign or Colonial, sel for carrying Newspapers. brought into the United Kingdom from a Port or Place out of the United Kingdom, and delivered by them at the Post Office of the Post Town at which they shall touch or arrive; and the like Sum of One Penny on every printed Newspaper delivered by

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by the Postmaster General to any such Masters for Conveyance to a Port or Place out of the United Kingdom, or between any Places within the United Kingdom under the Post Office Acts.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General, in his Discretion, may receive at the General Post Office in London Packets containing re-issuable Cash Notes only, issued by Country Bankers under annual Licence, and payable at the Houses of the respective Agents in London (and which Notes shall have been paid by such Agents in London), for Conveyance by Post within Great Britain, at his Discretion, to the Bank in the Place at which such Cash Notes were first issued, and to no other Place, at One Fourth the usual Postage for a Packet of that Size; but no Packet shall be conveyed under this Provision unless it shall exceed Six Ounces in Weight, and be superscribed "Re-issuable Country Bank Notes only," and shall be certified by the Signature of the Agent or Agents of such Country Bank, or One of them, in his or their own Handwriting, and shall contain no Writing or Communication, or Matter or Thing, except Cash Notes; and such Packets shall be delivered at the General Post Office in London at such Hours in the Day and under all such Regulations as the Postmaster General shall appoint, and shall also be delivered by the Deputy Postmaster in the Country under all such Regulations and Restrictions as the Postmaster General shall from Time to Time think fit to appoint; and the Postmaster General may detain, and in the Presence of the Sender thereof, or in his Absence in case of Non-attendance after Notice in Writing left at his usual Place of Abode or Place of Business requiring his Attendance, may open and examine the same, in order to discover whether any Writing, Communication, Matter, or Thing other than re-issuable Notes only shall be contained therein, and in case upon Examination thereof it shall be discovered that any Writing, Communication, Matter, or Thing other than re-issuable Notes shall be contained therein, then the Postmaster General may retain the Packet until the Penalty imposed by the Post Office Acts upon the Sender for offending herein shall be paid.

XL. And be it enacted, That the following Classes of Persons may both send and receive Single Letters by the Post on their own private Concerns only, at the reduced Postage of One Penny for each Single Letter; (videlicet,)

- Every Seaman employed in Her Majesty's Navy within Her Majesty's Dominions, whether at home or abroad, whilst such Seaman shall be actually employed in Her Majesty's Service:
- Every Serjeant, Corporal, Drummer, Trumpeter, Fifer, and Private Soldier in Her Majesty's Regular Forces, Militia, Fencible Regiments, Artillery, or Royal Marines within Her Majesty's Dominions, whether at home or abroad, whilst actually employed in Her Majesty's Service:

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- Every Seaman employed in Her Majesty's Navy in the East Indies, or at Ceylon, the Mauritius, Saint Helena, or the Cape of Good Hope :
- Every Serjeant, Corporal, Drummer, Trumpeter, Fifer, and Private Soldier in Her Majesty's Regular Forces, Militia, Fencible Regiments, Artillery, or Royal Marines, whilst actually employed in Her Majesty's Service in the East Indies, or at Ceylon, the Mauritius, Saint Helena, or the Cape of Good Hope:
- Every Serjeant, Corporal, Drummer, Trumpeter, Fifer, and Private Soldier in the Service of the East India Company, whilst actually employed in the Service of the Company:
- But the Letters of Commissioned Officers or Warrant Officers, Exclusion of either in the Army or Navy, or Midshipmen or Master's certain Persons. Mates of the Navy, are not included in this Provision:

And with respect to Letters sent by any such privileged Conditions to Persons the following Conditions shall be observed; (that is to be observed in say,) the Postage shall be paid on putting the Letter into a sending Letters Post Office established under the Authority of the Postmaster General, and upon such Letter shall be superscribed the Name of the Writer, and his Class or Description in the Vessel, Regiment, Corps, or Detachment to which he shall belong; and upon every such Letter there shall be written in the Handwriting of and signed by the Officer having at the Time the Command of the Vessel, or of the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment to which the privileged Person belongs, the Name of such Officer, and the Name of such Vessel, or of such Regiment, Corps, or Detachment:

And with respect to Letters received by the Post by any of Conditions to the said privileged Persons, the following Conditions shall be be observed in observed :- The Postage of each Letter shall be paid upon regard to Letputting it into a Post Office established under the Authority of Class received. the Postmaster General, and it shall be directed to the privileged Person, specifying on the Superscription thereof the Vessel, or the Regiment, Corps, or Detachment to which he shall belong; and the Deputy Postmaster of the Place to which such Letter shall be sent to be delivered shall not deliver such Letter to any Person except the Person hereby privileged to whom it shall be directed, or to some Person appointed to receive the same, by Writing under the Hand of the Officer in Command :

But whenever any of the above-mentioned privileged Persons Additional Sea shall be employed in Her Majesty's Service, or in the Service Postage to be of the East India Company, in the East Indies, or at Ceylon, Cases. the Mauritius, Saint Helena, or the Cape of Good Hope, the Letters sent by them shall be charged to the Party receiving them with an additional Sea-postage of Two-pence each, as well as the Inland Postage of One Penny, making the whole Three-pence, unless the Letters are delivered into a Post Office of the United Kingdom free of Expence to the Post Office,

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Office, in which Case they shall be charged the Inland Postage of One Penny only:

And the privileged Letters of Persons privileged under this Enactment shall be exempt from the Payment of the local Rates of Postage by Penny or Twopenny Posts, when they have passed through or when they are intended to pass through the General Post.

XLI. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in which a Letter addressed to a Commissioned Officer of the Army, Navy, or Ordnance, or any of the Departments belonging thereto respectively, at a Place where such Officer shall have been employed on actual Service, shall be forwarded by the Post, and before the Delivery of the Letter the Officer shall have removed from that Place to another Place in the Execution of his Duty, the Letter shall be forwarded to the latter Place, and shall not be charged with more than the Postage payable for the Letter at the Place to which it was originally addressed.

XLII. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of this Act shall be construed according to the respective Interpretations of the Terms and Expressions contained in an Act passed in the present Session, intituled An Act for consolidating the Laws relative to Offences against the Post Office of the United Kingdom, and for regulating the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws, and for explaining certain Terms and Expressions employed in those Laws, so far as those Interpretations are not repugnant to the Subject or inconsistent with the Context of such Provisions.

XLIII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed or altered during the present Session of Parliament.

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An Act for regulating the sending and receiving of Letters and Packets by the Post free from the Duty of Postage. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in this present Session of Parliament, initialed An Act to repeal the several Laws relating to the Post Office;' be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That on the Day on which the recited Act shall come into operation this Act shall come into operation for granting and regulating the Privilege of receiving and sending Letters by the Post free from the Duty of Postage.

II. And be it enacted, That the Letters of Her most Excellent Majesty transmitted by Post, either to or from Her Majesty, shall be exempt from Postage.

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Soldiers and Seamen's Letters exempt from local Rates in certain Cases.

If an Officer has removed Postage not to be charged on Letters forwarded to him.

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Her Majesty's Letters free,

III. And be it enacted, That the Letters of the under-men- Letters of certioned Classes of Persons transmitted by Post, either to or from tain Officers them, shall, subject to the Conditions herein-after stated, be free. exempt from Postage :---

CLASS I.

Members of each House of Parliament.

CLASS II.

Clerk of the Parliament.

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The Clerk Assistant of the House of Lords.

The Reading Clerk of the House of Lords.

The Clerk of the House of Commons.

The Two Clerks Assistant of the House of Commons.

The Chief Clerk without Doors of the House of Commons (who receives the Fees and pays the Officers of the House).

CLASS III.

The Secretaries and Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

The Postmaster General, the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Postmaster General in England.

CLASS IV.

The Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain.

The Speaker of the House of Commons.

The Lord High Treasurer or First Lord Commissioner of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

The Commissioners of the Treasury.

Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and their Under Secretaries.

The Chancellor of Her Majesty's Exchequer.

- The President and Vice President of the Committee of Council appointed for the Consideration of Matters relating to Trade and Foreign Plantations.
- The Clerks of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council.

The First Commissioner of Woods and Forests.

- The President of the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India.
- The Secretaries to the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India.

The Judge Advocate General.

- The Secretary of the Postmaster General in Ireland.
- The Surveyors of the Post Office in *England*.
- The Secretary of the Postmaster General in Scotland.

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- The Surveyors of the Post Office in Scotland. The Commander in Chief of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.
- The Secretary to the Commander in Chief of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.

The Master General of the Board of Ordnance.

One of the Secretaries of the said Master General of the Board of Ordnance.

The Secretary to the Board of Ordnance.

The Inspector General of Fortifications.

- The Quartermaster General of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.
- The Adjutant General of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.

The Secretary at War.

The Deputy Secretary at War.

Her Majesty's Paymaster General.

The Lord High Admiral or First Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty.

The Commissioners of the Admiralty.

The Secretaries of the Admiralty.

Her Majesty's Lieutenant General or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*;

And his or their Chief Secretary, Under Secretary, and Private Secretary respectively.

CLASS V.

The Lord Chancellor of Ireland.

The Surveyors of the Post Office in Ireland.

CLASS VI.

The respective Departments and Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (A.), in respect of the Official Correspondence of such Departments and Offices.

CLASS VII.

Persons being at the Head of the several Departments and Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (B.), in respect of their Official Correspondence.

CLASS VIII.

The Persons mentioned in the Third Column of Schedule (C.), in respect of their Official Correspondence.

CLASS IX.

The several Officers herein-after specified belonging to the Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (D.), in respect of the Official Correspondence of such Offices.

CLASS X.

CLASS X.

Commissioners, whether for permanent or temporary Purposes, appointed by Act of Parliament or appointed by Her Majesty's Letters Patent, to which Commissioners the Privilege is granted by this or by any subsequent Act, in respect of their Correspondence relating to the Business of their Commission.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Persons Extent and of the First Class shall last no longer than during the Session Conditions of of Parliament, and Forty Days before a Summons, or Forty 1st Class. Days after a Prorogation; and the Privilege shall extend to the sending of Ten Letters every Day, each not exceeding an Ounce in Weight, to Places within the United Kingdom; and to the Receipt from Places within the United Kingdom of Fifteen Letters every Day, each not exceeding the same Weight; and to the Power of receiving and sending printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament from and to Places within the United Kingdom; and to receiving Petitions addressed to either House of Parliament, not exceeding Six Ounces in Weight each; but in order to exempt the above-mentioned Letters and Papers from Postage the following Conditions shall be observed :- Every Letter sent shall be subject to the same Conditions as are herein-after expressed with regard to the Letters of all Persons of the first Five Classes having the Privilege of Franking; and every Letter received shall be directed either to the Place where the privileged Person shall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at his usual Place of Residence in London, or at the House of Parliament or at the Lobby of the House of Parliament of which he shall be a Member; and all printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament and printed Parliamentary Papers shall be sent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides, and shall be signed by the privileged Person sending them, in the Manner heretofore practised; and all Petitions shall be sent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides; and the Power of receiving Votes and Proceedings shall be restricted to the Places within the United Kingdom of which the privileged Person shall have previously given Notice to the Postmaster General, either at London or Dublin.

V. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Persons of Extent and the Second Class shall extend both to Letters and Parliamentary Proceedings and Papers, and shall be subject to the 2d Class Regulations and Restrictions to which that of the First Class is subject, except as to the Number of such Letters, which shall be without Limit, and except as to the Weight of such Letters, which shall not exceed Two Ounces each.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Members Extent and of the Third Class shall extend to the sending and receiving all Conditions of Privilege of Letters, without Limit as to either Number or Weight; and 3d Class. with respect to Letters sent by them it shall be unnecessary to Q3 insert

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The Surveyors of the Post Office in Scotland.

The Commander in Chief of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.

The Secretary to the Commander in Chief of Her Majesty's Forces in *Great Britain*.

The Master General of the Board of Ordnance.

One of the Secretaries of the said Master General of the Board of Ordnance.

The Secretary to the Board of Ordnance.

The Inspector General of Fortifications.

The Quartermaster General of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.

The Adjutant General of Her Majesty's Forces in Great Britain.

The Secretary at War.

The Deputy Secretary at War.

Her Majesty's Paymaster General.

The Lord High Admiral or First Lord Commissioner of the Admiralty.

The Commissioners of the Admiralty.

The Secretaries of the Admiralty.

Her Majesty's Lieutenant General or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*;

And his or their Chief Secretary, Under Secretary, and Private Secretary respectively.

CLASS V.

The Lord Chancellor of *Ireland*. The Surveyors of the Post Office in *Ireland*.

CLASS VI.

The respective Departments and Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (A.), in respect of the Official Correspondence of such Departments and Offices.

CLASS VII.

Persons being at the Head of the several Departments and Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (B.), in respect of their Official Correspondence.

CLASS VIII.

The Persons mentioned in the Third Column of Schedule (C.), in respect of their Official Correspondence.

CLASS IX.

The several Officers herein-after specified belonging to the Offices mentioned in the First Column of Schedule (D.), in respect of the Official Correspondence of such Offices.

CLASS X.

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Commissioners, whether for permanent or temporary Purposes, appointed by Act of Parliament or appointed by Her Majesty's Letters Patent, to which Commissioners the Privilege is granted by this or by any subsequent Act, in respect of their Correspondence relating to the Business of their Commission.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Person's Extent and of the First Class shall last no longer than during the Session Conditions of of Parliament, and Forty Days before a Summons, or Forty 1st Chast Days after a Prorogation; and the Privilege shall extend to the sending of Ten Letters every Day, each not exceeding an Ounce in Weight, to Places within the United Kingdom; and to the Receipt from Places within the United Kingdom of Fifteen Letters every Day, each not exceeding the same Weight; and to the Power of receiving and sending printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament from and to Places within the United Kingdom; and to receiving Petitions addressed to either House of Parliament, not exceeding Six Ounces in Weight each; but in order to exempt the above-mentioned Letters and Papers from Postage the following Conditions shall be observed :- Every Letter sent shall be subject to the same Conditions as are herein-after expressed with regard to the Letters of all Persons of the first Five Classes having the Privilege of Franking; and every Letter received shall be directed either to the Place where the privileged Person shall actually be at the Time of the Delivery thereof, or at his usual Place of Residence in London, or at the House of Parliament or at the Lobby of the House of Parliament of which he shall be a Member; and all printed Votes and Proceedings in Parliament and printed Parliamentary Papers shall be sent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides, and shall be signed by the privileged Person sending them, in the Manner heretofore practised; and all Petitions shall be sent without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides; and the Power of receiving Votes and Proceedings shall be restricted to the Places within the United Kingdom of which the privileged Person shall have previously given Notice to the Postmaster General, either at London or Dublin.

V. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Persons of Extent and the Second Class shall extend both to Letters and Parliamen- Conditions of Privilege of tary Proceedings and Papers, and shall be subject to the 2d Class Regulations and Restrictions to which that of the First Class 18 subject, except as to the Number of such Letters, which shall be without Limit, and except as to the Weight of such Letters, which shall not exceed Two Ounces each.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Members Extent and of the Third Class shall extend to the sending and receiving all Conditions of Letters, without Limit as to either Number or Weight; and sd Class. with respect to Letters sent by them it shall be unnecessary to

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insert in the Superscription the Name of the Post Town, or the Date of the Day, Month, or Year when sent, but nevertheless the whole Superscription shall be of the Handwriting of the Person sending the same.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Members of the Fourth Class shall extend to the sending and receiving all Letters, without Limit as to either Number or Weight.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of the Members of the Fifth Class shall extend to the sending and receiving of all Letters to and from Places within *Ireland*, without Limit as to either Number or Weight.

IX. And be it enacted, That all Letters sent by privileged Persons of the foregoing Five Classes shall, except so far as has been excepted in reference to the Members of the Third Class, be subject to the following Conditions :- The whole Superscription shall be of the Handwriting of the privileged Person sending the same, and shall contain the Name of such Person, together with the Name of the Post Town from which the same is intended to be sent, and the Day, Month, and Year when the same shall be put into the Post Office, the Day of the Month to be in Words at Length, and the whole Direction and Superscription to be of the Handwriting of the privileged Person; and every such Letter shall be put into the General Post Office or other Post Office, or into a Receiving House or Place appointed by Her Majesty's Postmaster General for the Receipt of Letters and Packets to be forwarded by the Post, on the Day of the Date written upon such Letter; and the privileged Person whose Name shall be written thereon shall, for the **Purpose** of exempting the Letter from Postage, actually be in the Post Town where such Letter shall be put into the Post Office, or within Twenty Miles of such Post Town, on the Day or on the Day next before the Day on which such Letter shall be put into the Post Office.

X. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of sending and receiving Letters (free of Postage) of the Officers of the Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth Classes shall be subject to the following Conditions :- Every Letter shall be on the public Business of the Office or Department from which the same shall be forwarded, or to which the same shall be addressed, and shall be superscribed in the Manner set forth in the Third Column of Schedules hereto annexed; and the Indorsement on each Letter sent from any such Office or Department shall be superscribed with the Signature of the Person authorized to. make the same, and the Letter shall be sealed with the Seal of the Office or the Seal of the principal Officer in that Department; and the Persons being at the Head of any Office or Department mentioned in the First Column of the Schedules (A.), (B.), and (D.) hereto annexed may direct certain Persons in each of their Departments to make the foregoing Superscription upon each Letter which shall concern the public Business of their respective Offices; and the Names of such authorized, Persons

Extent of Privilege of 4th Class.

Extent of Privilege of 5th Class.

Conditions to be observed by the first Five Classes in regard to Letters sent by them.

Extent and Conditions of Privilege of 6th 7th, 8th, and 9th Classes. Persons shall be transmitted by the principal Officer authorizing them to the General Post Office in London, where the Offices or Departments shall be in London, and to the General Post Office in Dublin where the Offices or Departments shall be in Dublin; but the Number of Persons so appointed shall not exceed Two in any Department in Schedule (A.), except in the Admiralty Office, the War Office, and the Paymaster General's Office; and in the Admiralty Office the Number shall not exceed Thirteen in Time of Peace and Seventeen in Time of War; and the Number in the War Office shall not exceed Six in Time of Peace and Ten in Time of War; and the Number in the Paymaster General's Office shall not exceed Three; and in all other Cases shall not exceed One in any Department or Office, except the Lord Lieutenant's Chief Secretary's Office in Ireland, where the Number shall not exceed Two.

XI. And be it enacted, That the Privilege of Franking As to Officer of Offices mentioned in the Schedules hereto shall be subject to the Limitations expressed in the Fifth Column thereof.

XII. And for the general Regulation of the Official Privilege Regulation of of Franking hereby or by any subsequent Act granted to the Official Privi-Officers or Commissioners respectively belonging to the Offices lege of Franking in certain Cases. and Commissions specially mentioned in the Schedules hereto annexed, and respectively included in the Sixth, Seventh, Ninth, and Tenth Classes, or to any other Office or Commission of a like Nature, be it enacted, That the Persons being respectively at the Head of such Offices or Commissions may from Time to Time authorize and direct such One Person in their Office as they shall think proper to nominate in that Behalf, or such other Number as shall be named in any Act conferring this Privilege on such Office or Commission, to send free from Postage all or any of the Letters relating solely to the Business of their Office, and they shall from Time to Time transmit the Name of such Person to the Secretary of the General Post Office in London or Dublin, and every Person so appointed shall sign and subscribe his Name under such Words as may be directed to be printed upon the Covers enclosing such Letters; and every Person so nominated is hereby strictly forbidden to superscribe any Letter in the Manner directed by this Act, except only such Letters as he shall respectively know to relate solely to the Business of his Office, or such only concerning which he shall receive the special Direction of his superior Officer; nevertheless the Appointment of such Officer, and the Place from which Letters sent by such Officer shall be dated, and the Mode of superscribing, and the Style of Address, shall respectively be subject to such Limitations, Conditions, and Regulations as the Lords of the Treasury shall from Time to Time appoint in regard to the respective Offices or Commissions to which the Privilege of sending and receiving Letters free shall be granted.

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XIII. And

Franking Officers required to transmit to the Post Office unprivileged Letters sent to them.

Rule for computing Postage on Letters beyond the Extent of Privilege.

Postmaster empowered to examine Packets without a Cover or in a Cover open at the Sides.

Privileged Persons empowered in certain Cases to depute a Person to exercise their Privilege in their Behalf.

Privilege of Franking limited to General Post Letters.

Franking Privilege of Letters to and from the East Indies. XIII. And be it enacted, That if any Letter, Paper, or Thing shall be sent under Cover to a Franking Officer, the same not being actually and *bond fide* on Her Majesty's Service, and relating exclusively to the Business of his Department, the Officer to whom the same shall be so sent shall transmit it forthwith to the Secretary of the Post Office in London or Dublin, with the Covers under which the same were sent, in order that the Contents thereof may be charged with the full Rates of Postage.

XIV. And be it enacted, That in case the Number of Letters allowed to a privileged Person shall on any Occasion be exceeded, so that the ordinary Rates of Postage shall become payable on the surplus Number, the Letters chargeable with the higher Rate shall be included in the Number exempted, in preference to those chargeable with a lower Rate.

XV. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General may examine any Packet sent without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides, in order to discover whether any other Paper or Thing be enclosed with the printed Paper so permitted to be sent free of Postage without a Cover, or in a Cover open at the Sides; and in case any other Paper or Thing whatsoever shall be found enclosed with any such printed Paper, or in case there shall be any Writing other than the Superscription upon the printed Paper or upon the Cover, the whole of the Packet shall be charged with Treble the Duty of Postage.

XVI. And be it enacted, That in case any privileged Person of the first Five Classes, being by bodily Infirmity disabled from writing the whole Superscription of such Letters, shall choose to appoint some one Person on his Behalf and in his Stead to sign his Name upon and write the Superscription of such Letters, and shall cause Notice thereof in Writing under his Hand and Seal to be transmitted to the Postmaster General, all Letters so signed and superscribed by the Person appointed shall be free of Postage, and shall in all respects be proceeded with as if the Superscription had been of the Handwriting of the privileged Person; and until he shall, by Order under his Hand and Seal, revoke the Notice of the Appointment of his Substitute, no Letters under the Handwriting of the Person privileged shall pass free of Postage.

XVII. And be it enacted, That no Privilege of Franking shall extend to Letters transmitted by a Penny or Twopenny Post, so far as respects the Penny or Twopenny Post Rates, nor to any Letters which are or may be liable to any Foreign Rates of Postage, (the Public Despatches to and from Her Majesty's Secretaries of State, and the British Embassies and Legations at Foreign Courts, being bond fide on the Public Service, only excepted.)

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company, or the Secret Committee appointed by the same Court (in pursuance of an Act passed in the Third and

and Fourth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth), shall, so long as the Possession and Government of Her Majesty's Territories in the East Indies shall belong to the Company, have the Privilege of receiving and sending free of Postage, to and from the Governor General and Council and several Presidencies in the East Indies, or any Agent or other Officer of the Company in the East Indies, any Letter relating entirely to the Affairs of the Company; and the said Court of Directors, Secret Committee, and Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Company, may receive any such Letter free from Postage from any Officer or Agent of the Company, by Ships in the Service of the Company; provided that with respect to Letters sent to the *East Indies* they be superscribed by the Chairman or Deputy Chairman or Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Company; and the Commissioners for the Affairs of India, and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the *East India* Company, may send and receive Letters to and from Ceylon, the Mauritius, or any Port or Place in the East Indies, or to and from the Cape of Good Hope, free from Postage, provided that no such Letter exceed Three Ounces in Weight; and the Directors of the Company may receive Letters free from Sea Postage from Ceylon, the Mauritius, or any Port or Place in the East Indies, by Ships in the Service of the said Company, provided that the Letters brought by any One Ship for any One Director do not collectively exceed the Weight of Six Ounces; and every Person who shall have been Director shall continue to have the Privilege for One Year after he shall have ceased to be a

XIX. And be it enacted, That all the Provisions of this Act Interpretation shall be construed according to the respective Interpretations of of Act. the Terms and Expressions contained in an Act passed in the present Session, intituled An Act for consolidating the Laws 1 Vict. c. 36. relative to Offences against the Post Office of the United Kingdom, and for regulating the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws, and for explaining certain Terms and Expressions employed in those Laws, so far as those Interpretations are not repugnant to the Subject or inconsistent with the Context of such Provisions.

XX. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed or Act may be altered during the present Session of Parliament.

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Limitations of Official Franking Privilege.		, Unlimited.	
Letters received, to whom to be addressed to entitle them to pass free, when a particular Address is required.		No particular Direction is required for Official Letters of this Class.	
Covers of Letters sent how to be superscribed.	be Treasury	fer Majesty's Service Jil the Covers. Office. Office.	Mar Office
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Name of Office.	The Treasury - The Admiralty Of-	In Time of War - In Time of Peace The Offices of Her Majesty's Princi- pal Secretaries of State (in each of	such Offices). The War Office : In Time of War - In Time of Peace The General Post Office in London.
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Letters received, to whom to be addressed to entitle them to pass free, when a particular Address, is required.				No particular Direction	> is required for Omclain Letters of this Class.		
Covers of Letters sent how to be superscribed.	· General Post Office, Edinburgh.	Commander in Chief's Office.	Ordnance Office -	Adjutant General's Office.	Quarter Master Gene- ral's Office.	Office of Her Majesty's Paymaster General.	The Lord Lieutenant's Chief Secretary's Office, London.
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Number of Franking Officers.	63	63	63	63	63	<u>م</u>	1
Name of Office.	The General Post Office in Edin- burgh.	The Commander in Chief's Office.	The Board of Ord- nance.	The Adjutant Gene- ral's Office.	The Quarter Mas- ter General's Of- fice.	The Paymaster Ge- neral's Office.	Chief Secretary's Office in London of the Lord Lieu- tenant of Ireland.

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	Limitations of Official Franking Privilege.	Limited to Corres- pondence between Places in Ireland.	
	Letters received, to whom to be addressed to entitle them to pass free, when a particular Address is required.	Commander of the Forces Civil Paymaster of Ireland Adjutant General of the Forces. Quarter Master General of the Forces. The Superintendent of the Ordnance Survey.	
SCHEDULE (B.)	Covers of Letters sent how to be superscribed.	The Post of the Forces Office. Forces Office. Forces Office. Civil Paymaster's Office. Adjutant General's Office. Adjutant General's Office. Adjutant General's Office. Currey Master General's Office. The Post Office. Chief Secretary's Office, Civil Department, or Chief Secretary's Office, Civil Department, or Civil Department, or Chief Secretary's Office, Dublin.	
	Number of Franking Officers.	A - A	-
	Name of Offlee.	Commander of the Forces. Civil Paymaster - Deputy Adjutant Ge- neral. Deputy Quarter Mas- ter General. Chief Officer of Her Majesty's Ord- nance Survey. The Postmaster Ge- neral. The Lord Lieute- nant's Chief Secre- tary.	
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	Limitations of Official Franking Privilege.		Unlimited.		May send to any Part of the United Kingdom, but may	receive from any Place whatever.
	Letters received, to whom to be addressed to entitle them to pass free, when a particular Address is required.	Cashier of Greenwich Out- Pensions.	Clerk of the Cheque	Secretary of Chelsea Hos- pital, at his Office.	Comptroller 'eff 'Corn Re- turns.	
	Covers of Letters sent how to be superscribed.	Ċ	write nis Name under such Words. Greenwich Hospital; and the Clerk of the Cheque	en ans co	a under the same. On Her Majesty's Service, Corn Department; and the Comptroller of	
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	Name of Office.	Greenwich Pension Office.	Greenwich Hospital	Chelsea Hospital -	Office of Comptroller of Corn Returns.	
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	Limitations of Official [Franking Privilege.	~ ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~	Unlimited.
	Letters received, to whom to be addressed to entitle them to pass free, when a particular Address is required.	Commissioners for auditing the Public Accounts.	Her Majesty's Commission- ers, appointed under the Act for building and pro- moting the building of additional Churches.
SCHEDULE (D.)	Covers of Letters sent how to be superscribed.	On Her Majesty's Ser- vice, Audit Office; and the Secretary of the Commissioners or some Chief Clerk in the Audit Office, is to subscribe his Name to the same.	The World Character of the Business of the Commissioners of the Commissioners appointed under the Act for building and promoting the build- ing of additional Churches; dated from their Office.
	Number of Franking Officers.		-
	Name of Office.	Audit Office -	Office for building ad- ditional Churches.
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, ≻Unlimited.		May only receive Official Letters free.	The United King- dom and the Co- lonies.
The Incorporated Society for promoting the En- largement, building, and repairing of Churches and Chapels.	The Commissioners for the Issue of Exchequer Bills, at their Office in Lon- don.	Letters addressed to the Secretary to the Com- missioners at their Office to be also free of Post- age.	To the Commissioners for the Issue of Exchequer Bills, at their Office in London.
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Incorporated Society for promoting the Enlargement,build- ing, and repairing of Churches and Chapels.	Exchequer Bill Office, 57 G.S. c. 94.		Exchequer Bill Office, (2 & 3 W. 4. c. 125, 5 & 6 W. 4. c. 51.)
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Limitation of Official Franking Privilege.	Between Places in England and Wales. Within the United Kingdom. Within the United Kingdom, Guern- sey, Jersey, and Isle of Man.	
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Poor Law Commission	1	ct, to be oπ	Office of Poor Law Commissioners.	Poor Law Commission- ers, directed to them at their Office in Lon- don.	Within the United Kingdom,
General Register Of- fice of Merchant Scamen.	1	A gaidasrf ler vers.	Merchant Seamen's General Register Office.	The Registrar of Merchant Seamen.	Unlimited.
Office of Commission- ers of Charities.	-	anant to Gener O sdi lla	Office of Commission- ers of Charities.	Commissioners of Charities, at their Office in West- minster.	Within the United Kingdom.
Office of Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Mar- riages.	~ ` `	The Words "Pur	Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.	Registrar General of Births, Deaths, and Marriages, at his Office.	Within England.

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An Act for consolidating the Laws relative to Offences against the Post Office of the United Kingdom, and for regulating the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws, and for explaining certain Terms and Expressions employed in those Laws.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to repeal the several Laws relating to the Post Office; be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That on the Day on which the recited Act shall come into operation this Act shall come into operation for making Provision respecting Offences against the Post Office, and the judicial Administration of the Post Office Laws.

II. And for preventing any Breach of the Privilege conferred by the Post Office Acts on the Postmaster General for the Benefit of the Public Revenue, be it enacted, That every Person who shall convey otherwise than by the Post a Letter not exempted from the exclusive Privilege of the Postmaster General shall for every Letter forfeit Five Pounds, and every Person who shall be in the Practice of so conveying Letters not so exempted shall for every Week during which the Practice shall be continued forfeit One hundred Pounds; and every Person who shall perform otherwise than by the Post any Services incidental to conveying Letters from Place to Place, whether by receiving or by taking up or by collecting, or by ordering or by despatching, or by carrying or by re-carrying or by delivering a Letter not exempted from the exclusive Privilege of the Postmaster General, shall forfeit for every Letter Five Pounds, and every Person who shall be in the Practice of so performing any such incidental Services shall for every Week during which the Practice shall be continued forfeit One hundred Pounds; and every Person who shall send a Letter not exempted from the exclusive Privilege of the Postmaster General otherwise than by the Post, or shall cause a Letter not so exempted to be sent or conveyed otherwise than by Post, or shall either tender or deliver a Letter not so exempt in order to be sent otherwise than by Post, shall forfeit for every Letter Five Pounds, and every Person who shall be in the Practice of committing any of the Acts last mentioned shall for every Week during which the Practice shall be continued forfeit One hundred Pounds; and every Person who shall make a Collection of exempted Letters for the Purpose of conveying or sending them otherwise than by the Post, or by the Post, shall forfeit for every Letter Five Pounds; and every Person who shall be in the Practice of making a Collection of exempted Letters for either of those Purposes shall forfeit for every. Week during which

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which the Practice shall be continued One hundred Pounds: And be it declared, that the Term Post shall herein include all Post Communications by Land or by Water (except by Outward-bound Vessels not being employed by or under the Post Office or the Admiralty to carry Post Letters); and the above Penalties shall be incurred whether the Letter shall be sent singly or with any thing else, or such incidental Service shall be performed in respect to a Letter either sent or to be sent singly or together with some other Letter or Thing; and in any Prosecution by Action or otherwise for the Recovery of any such Penalty the Onus shall lie upon the Party prosecuted to prove that the Act in respect of which the Penalty is alleged to have been incurred was done in conformity to the Post Office Laws.

III. And be it enacted, That every Person, being either the Ship Letters Master of a Vessel Inward-bound, or one of the Officers, or one retained after of the Crew, or a Passenger thereof, who shall knowingly have Letters to Post any Letter in his Possession not exempted from the Privilege of Office. the Postmaster General, after the Master shall have sent any Part of his Ship's Letters to the Post Office, shall forfeit for every Letter Five Pounds; and whether the Letter be in the Baggage or on the Person of the Offender, or otherwise in his Custody, it shall be held to be in his Possession; and every such Person who shall detain any such Letter after Demand made, either by the Officer of the Customs or by a Person authorized by the Postmaster General to demand Ship's Letters, shall forfeit for every Letter Ten Pounds.

IV. And for preventing the Abuse of any Privilege by the Penalties for Post Office Acts conferred of sending Letters or Papers free abusing the of Postage, or at a reduced Rate of Postage, whereby the Post Franking Privilege. Office Revenue may be defrauded, be it enacted, That every Person who shall send or cause to be sent a Banker's Parcel, wherein or upon the Cover whereof there shall be a Writing or Communication, or any thing other than negociable Notes, contrary to the Post Office Laws or the Regulations of the Postmaster General, shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds; and every Franking Officer or other Person authorized by virtue of their Office to frank Official Letters who shall unlawfully superscribe a Letter as belonging to his Office or Department which does not concern the Business thereof shall for the First Offence forfeit One hundred Pounds, and for the Second Offence shall forfeit the like Sum, and be dismissed from his Office; and every Person having the Command of a Ship or Vessel, or Regiment or Corps or Detachment, who is authorized to write his Name, and the Name of the Ship, or of the Vessel, or of the Regiment or Corps or Detachment, commanded by him, upon a Single Letter from a Seaman or Soldier privileged to send his Letter at a reduced Rate of Postage, who shall wilfully write his Name upon a Letter that is not from and on the private Concerns only of such Seaman or Soldier so privileged, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds; and every Person not having at the Time the Command of the Ship or Vessel, or R 2 Regiment

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Regiment or Corps or Detachment to which a Seaman or Soldier so privileged belongs, who shall write his Name upon a Letter in order that the same may be sent at a lower Rate of Postage than by Law established, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds; and every Person who shall procure a Seaman or Soldier to obtain the Signature of his Commanding Officer to a Letter to be sent by the Post which shall not be on the private Concerns of such Seaman or Soldier, and every such Seaman or Soldier who shall obtain the Signature of his Commanding Officer upon a Letter which shall not be from such Seaman or Soldier, and upon his own private Concerns only, in order to avoid the Payment of the Rates of Postage by Law established, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds; and every Person who shall wilfully address a Letter to such Seaman or Soldier having the Privilege of receiving his Letters at a reduced Rate, which shall be intended for another Person or which shall be concerning the Affairs of another Person, with Intent to evade the Payment of the Rate of Postage by Law established, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds; and every Person who shall, with Intent to evade any Duty of Postage, falsely superscribe a Letter as being the Owner or the Charterer or the Consignee of a Vessel conveying the same, or as the Owner or the Shipper or the Consignee of Goods shipped in such Vessel, shall for every such Offence forfeit Ten Pounds.

V. And for the Prevention of the Abuse of the Privilege of sending Newspapers free by the Post, or at a reduced Rate, be it enacted, That every Person who shall inclose or cause or procure to be inclosed in a Newspaper to be sent by the Post, or under the Cover thereof, any Letter or Paper or Thing, and every Person who shall print or cause to be printed any Words or Communication, either upon any such Newspaper after the same shall have been published, or upon the Cover thereof, or who shall put or cause to be put any Writing or Marks either upon the Newspaper or upon the Cover thereof, other than the Name and Address of the Person to whom it shall be sent, and every Person who shall knowingly either send or cause to be sent by the Post, or who shall either deliver or tender in order to be sent by the Post, a Newspaper in respect of which any One of the Offences herein-before mentioned shall have been committed, shall for every such Offence forfeit Treble the Duty of Postage, computed by Weight and by Distance, as if the Paper in respect of which the Offence was committed were a Letter, such Postage to be recoverable as Postages not exceeding in Amount Twenty Pounds are recoverable; or he shall, except in those Cases in which the said Newspaper or Cover shall only have Marks thereon, and not Writing, at the Option of the Postmaster General, be prosecuted as for a Misdemeanor, and shall suffer Punishment accordingly.

VI. And for compelling the Observance of the Provisions of the Post Office Laws relating to the Conveyance of Ship Letters, be it enacted, That every Master of a Vessel Outward-bound to Ceylon,

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Pensities on Masters of Ships not taking Letter Bags. 1837.

Ceylon, the Mauritius, the East Indies, or the Cape of Good Hope, who shall refuse to take a Post Letter Bag delivered or tendered to him by an Officer of the Post Office for Conveyance, shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel who shall open a sealed Letter Bag with which he shall be intrusted for Conveyance shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel who shall take out of a Letter Bag with which he shall have been intrusted for Conveyance a Letter or any other Thing shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel who shall not duly deliver a Letter **Bag** with the Contents at the Post Office on his Arrival in Port, without wilful or unavoidable Delay after his Arrival, shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds; and every Person to whom Letters may have been intrusted by the Master of a Vessel to bring on shore who shall break the Seal, or in any Manner wilfully open the same, shall forfeit Twenty Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel who shall refuse or wilfully neglect to make the Declaration of having delivered his Ship's Letters to the Post Office, as required by an Act of the present Session, intituled An Act for the Regulation of the Duties of Postage, shall 1 Vict. c. 34. forfeit Fifty Pounds; and every Collector, Comptroller, or Officer of the Customs who by the said Act is required to prohibit any Vessel reporting until the Requisites of such Act shall have been complied with, who shall permit such Vessel to report before the Requisites of such Act shall have been complied with, shall forfeit Fifty Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel (not having been able to send his Letters ashore previous to his Arrival at the Port where the Vessel is to report) who shall break Bulk or make Entry before all Letters on board shall be sent to the Post Office shall forfeit Twenty Pounds; and every Master of a Vessel, or any other Person on board any Ship liable to the Performance of Quarantine, who shall neglect or refuse to deliver to the Person or Persons appointed to superintend the Quarantine all Letters in his Possession, shall forfeit Twenty Pounds.

VII. ' And whereas Post Letter Bags and Post Letters are Persons en-' sometimes lost or delayed by the Carelessness or other Mis- gaged or em-' conduct of the Persons having charge of the same;' be it ployed in carry-ing, conveying, therefore enacted, That every Person employed to convey or or delivering deliver a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter who shall whilst so Bags or Mails employed, or whilst the same shall be in his Custody, Care, or Possession, leave a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter, or suffer Carelessness, any Person, not being the Guard or Person employed for that Negligence, or Purpose, to ride in the Place appointed for the Guard in or Misconduct, upon any Carriage used for the Conveyance of a Post Letter Bag or Post Letter, or to ride in or upon a Carriage so used viction before a and not licensed to carry Passengers, or upon a Horse used Peace. for the Conveyance on Horseback of a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter, or if any such Person shall be guilty of any Act of Drunkenness, or of Carelessness, Negligence, or other Misconduct, whereby the Safety of a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter shall be endangered, or who shall collect or receive, or convey

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convey or deliver, a Letter otherwise than in the ordinary Course of the Post, or who shall give any false Information of an Assault or Attempt at Robbery upon him, or who shall loiter on the Road or Passage, or wilfully mis-spend his Time so as to retard or delay the Progress or Arrival of a Psot Letter Bag or a Post Letter, or who shall not use due and proper Care and Diligence safely to convey a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter at the Rate of Speed appointed by and according to the Regulations of the Post Office for the Time being, being thereof convicted, shall forfeit Twenty Pounds.

VIII. And to prevent Obstructions opposite the General Post Offices in London and Dublin, be it enacted, That no Hackney Carriage shall stand or ply for Hire opposite the General Post Office in Saint Martin's-le-Grand, London, or the General Post Office in Sackville Street, Dublin, or any Part thereof respectively; and that every Driver, or any Person having the Management of any Hackney Carriage, who shall permit the same to stand or ply for Hire opposite either of the said Post Offices, shall forfeit for every such Offence Five Pounds; and for the Purposes of this Provision every Carriage with Two or more Wheels, whatever may be the Form or Construction of such Carriage, or the Number of Persons which the same shall be calculated to convey, or the Number of Horses by which the same shall be drawn, shall be a Hackney Carriage within the Meaning of this Act, and in all Proceedings at Law or otherwise, and upon all Occasions whatsoever, it shall be sufficient to describe it by the Term Hackney Carriage; and every Hawker, Newsvender, or idle or disorderly Person, who shall stop or loiter on the Flagway or Pavement opposite the General Post Office in Saint Martin's-le-Grand, London, or in Sackville Street, Dublin, or any Part thereof respectively, shall forfeit for every such Offence Five Pounds.

IX. And be it enacted, That every Toll Collector or Receiver, or other Person employed to receive the Tolls or Rates at a Turnpike Gate or Bar erected upon a Highway, Bridge, or Post Road, and every Person who shall have the Care of a Gate of a walled Town, or the Custody of the Keys of such Gate, who shall demand Toll for any Person or Horse or Carriage going for or conveying or employed to go for or carry a Mail, or who shall not permit the Mail to pass without Delay, or who shall wilfully delay or obstruct the Mail at or in passing a Turnpike Gate or Bar, or a Gate of a walled Town, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds; and every Ferryman or other Person employed to receive the Tolls or Rates at a Ferry who shall demand any such Toll for any such Person, Horse, or Carriage, or who shall not, within the Space of Fifteen Minutes after Demand made, convey the Mail (if it be possible or safe to do so) across such Ferry to the usual Landing Place, shall for every such Offence forfeit Five Pounds.

X. And be it enacted, That no Deputy, Officer, or Agent of the Postmaster General travelling with a Mail shall pay for passing

No Hackney Carriage to ply for Hire oppoaite the General Post Office in London or Dublin.

Definition of Hackney Carriage within the Meaning of this Act.

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Penalty on Collectors of Tolls, Ferrymen, or Keepers of Gates, &c. demanding Toll on Mail Coach, or stopping the Mail.

No Officer of the Post Office travelling with Cap. 36.

passing or repassing a Ferry within any of Her Majesty's Colo- a Mail to pay nies or Dominions in North America, but the Ferrymen at every for passing Ferries in North such Ferry shall forthwith on Demand convey over every such America. Deputy, Officer, or Agent without any Payment for the same, on pain of forfeiting for every Offence Five Pounds, to be recovered in any Court of Record within any of the Provinces or Colonies in North America by Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, one Moiety thereof to Her Majesty, towards the Support of the Government of the said Provinces and the contingent Charges thereof, and the other Moiety to the Postmaster General who shall sue and prosecute for the same, together with

XI. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall aid, Abettors in abet, or counsel or procure the Commission of an Offence which Offences is by the Post Office Acts punishable on summary Conviction, summary Conshall, on Conviction before a Justice of the Peace in England viction. and Ireland, and before a Justice of the Peace, Sheriff, Sheriff Substitute, Steward, or Steward Substitute in Scotland, be liable to the same Forfeiture and Punishment to which a principal Offender is by the Post Office Acts made liable.

XII. And be it enacted, That all pecuniary Penalties imposed In what Courts by the Post Office Acts may be sued for and recovered, with pecuniary Pe-full Costs of Suit, by any Person who shall inform and sue for sued for. the same, in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster for any Offence committed in England, Wales, or Berwick-upon-Tweed, and in Her Majesty's Court of Session in Scotland for any Offence committed in Scotland, and in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record in Dublin for any Offence committed in *Ireland*; and the Proceeding may be either by Action of Debt, or by Bill or Plaint or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Privilege, nor more than One Imparlance, shall be allowed; and where the Offence shall be committed in the British Isles, or in any other Parts of Her Majesty's Dominions, such Penalties may be recovered in any of the Royal or Superior Courts of such Isles, or other Parts of Her Majesty's Dominions, by all the Proceedings, Ways, and Means by which Penalties are there recoverable.

XIII. And be it enacted, That any Justice of the Peace Mode of prohaving Jurisdiction where the Offence shall be committed may ceeding before hear and determine any Offence against the Post Office Acts Offences within which may subject the Offender to a pecuniary Penalty not their Jurisdiaexceeding Twenty Pounds; and any such Justice shall, upon tion. Information given or Complaint made before him, summon the Party accused, and also the Witnesses on either Side, to be and appear before him, or before any other Justice of the Peace, at a Time and Place to be appointed for that Purpose; and either on the Appearance of the Party accused, or in default thereof, the Justice present at the Time and Place appointed for such Appearance may proceed to examine into the Matter of Fact, and upon due Proof made thereof by voluntary Confession of the Party, or by Oath of One Witness or more, R 4 may

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may give Judgment for the Plaintiff or Complainant, or for the Defendant, and if for the Plaintiff or Complainant such Justice may award and issue out his Warrant for the levying of the Penalty so adjudged, together with the Costs and Expences of such Proceeding, and also the Costs and Expences of such Warrant, and of levying the same on the Goods of the Offender, and may cause Sale to be made of such Goods in case they shall not be redeemed within Five Days, rendering to the Party the Overplus (if any); and where Goods of such Offender cannot be found sufficient to answer the Penalty, and all such Costs and Expences, the Justice shall commit the Offender to the Common Gaol or House of Correction, there to remain for any Time not less than Three Calendar Months and not exceeding Six Calendar Months, if the full Penalty imposed by the Post Office Acts for the Offence of which such Offender shall have been convicted shall amount to the Sum of Twenty Pounds, and for any Time not exceeding Three Calendar Months if such Penalty shall not amount to Twenty Pounds, unless such Penalty and all such Costs and Expences shall be sooner paid; and if the Person convicted shall find himself aggrieved by the Judgment of any such Justice he may appeal against the same to the Justices of the Peace at the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the County or Place within which the Offence shall be committed which shall be held next after the Expiration of Ten Days from the Day on which such Conviction shall have been made, of which Appeal Notice in Writing shall be given to the Prosecutor or Informer Seven clear Days previous to the First Day of such Sessions, and such Justices at such Sessions may examine Witnesses upon Oath, and finally hear and determine such Appeal; and in case the Judgment of the Justice shall be affirmed the Justices at such Sessions may award and order the Person appealing to pay such Costs occasioned by such Appeal as to them shall seem meet: Provided always, that no Person convicted before a Justice shall be permitted to appeal against such Conviction unless within Five Days next after such Conviction made he shall enter into a Recognizance, with Two sufficient Sureties, before such Justice, to enter and prosecute such Appeal, and to pay the Amount of the Penalty and Costs in which he shall have been convicted, and also to pay such further Costs as shall be awarded in case such Conviction shall be affirmed on the hearing of such Appeal: Provided also, that no such Proceedings so to be had or taken shall be quashed or vacated for Want of Form, or for any Error or Mistake which in the Judgment of the Court has not a Tendency to mislead the Defendant, or shall be removed by Certiorari, Suspension, Advocation, or Reduction, or by any other Writ or Process, into any Superior or other Court or Jurisdiction, any Law or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

. XIV. And be it enacted, That the Justice of the Peace before whom a Person shall be convicted of an Office against the Post Office Acts may mitigate the Penalty imposed in Cases where such

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Justices may mitigate Pecalties. such Justice shall see Cause so to do; provided that all reasonable Costs and Charges incurred in prosecuting for such Offence shall be always allowed over and above the Sum to which the Penalty shall be mitigated.

XV. And be it enacted, That all pecuniary Penalties incurred Application of under the Post Office Acts, which shall be sued or prosecuted for or recovered by or in the Name of a Person other than Her Majesty's Attorney General in England, Her Majesty's Attorney General in Ireland, or Her Majesty's Advocate for Scotland, or the Solicitor to the Post Office, or any other Officer of the Post Office in England, Ireland, or Scotland respectively, shall respectively be distributed and divided in manner following; (that is to say,) one Moiety thereof to Her Majesty, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs of Suit, to the Person who shall inform and sue or prosecute for the same; and all such pecuniary Penalties as aforesaid which shall be sued and prosecuted for and recovered by or in the Name of the above-named Officers shall be applied to the Use of Her Majesty: Provided always, that the Postmaster General, at his Discretion, may give all or any Part of such Penalties or Shares of Penalties belonging to Her Majesty as Rewards to any Person who shall have detected such Offences, or given Information which may have led to the Discovery thereof or to the Conviction of the Offenders.

XVI. And be it enacted, That every Justice of the Peace Justices shall before whom a Person shall be convicted of an Offence against receive the the Post Office Acts shall take the Penalty or Share of the of Penalties, Penalty belonging to Her Majesty levied or paid under such and pay the Conviction, and shall pay or cause to be paid all such Sums of same to the Clerk of the Money which he shall so take at the next General or Quarter Peace, to be re-Session of the Peace after he shall have so taken the same into mitted to the the Hands of the Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, or other such Post Office. Officer of the County or Place within which such Conviction shall have been made, who shall within Fourteen Days after his Receipt thereof, and without Fee or Reward, pay or remit the same, for the Use of Her Majesty, to the Solicitor of the Post Office at the Post Office in London, Edinburgh, or Dublin, as the Conviction shall happen to be in England, Scotland, or Ireland respectively; and every such Justice shall, within One Week after every such Payment made by him to a Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, or other such Officer, transmit to such Solicitor a Schedule containing the Name of the Person so convicted, the Nature of the Offence, and the Amount of the Penalty in which he shall have been convicted, the Date of such Conviction, and the Sum of Money which shall have been paid by virtue thereof, together with the Name of the Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, or other such Officer to whom he shall have paid the same; and every Justice who shall omit to Penalty on the pay or cause to be paid to such Clerk of the Peace or other Justice or Clerk Officer as aforesaid, at the Time and in the Manner herein- of the Peace for before directed, any such Penalty or Share of Penalty received do. by him, or upon Payment thereof shall omit to transmit to the proper Solicitor of the Post Office such Schedule, and every Clerk

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Clerk of the Peace, Town Clerk, or other Officer who shall omit to pay or remit the Penalty or Share of Penalty to such Solicitor of the Post Office, within the Time and in the Manner herein-before directed in that Behalf, shall forfeit Fifty Pounds.

XVII. And be it enacted, That when any Person shall be summoned before a Justice of the Peace to answer an Information or Complaint exhibited or made against him by a Person other than an Officer of the Post Office, touching an Offence committed or alleged to have been committed by such Person against the Post Office Acts, and such Information or Complaint shall afterwards be withdrawn, or quashed or dismissed, or if the Defendant shall be acquitted of the Offence charged against him, the Justice may order and award that the Informer or Person exhibiting the Information or making the Complaint shall pay to the Defendant such Costs of making or preparing for his Defence, and also such Compensation for his Loss of Time, and for the Time of his Witnesses (if any), in attending such Justice touching such Information or Complaint, as to such Justice shall seem reasonable; and in default of immediate Payment of the Sum so awarded the Justice may cause the same to be levied by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Person ordered to pay the same, together with the Costs of such Distress and Sale; and if Goods and Chattels of such Person sufficient to answer the Sum so awarded, and such Costs as aforesaid, cannot be found, the Justice may commit such Person to the Common Gaol or House of Correction for any Time not exceeding One Calendar Month, unless the Sum so awarded, together with all Costs and Expences, shall be sooner paid.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That a Summons issued by a Justice of the Peace, requiring a Defendant or a Witness or other Person to appear before him or any other Justice, with reference to an Information, Complaint, or other Proceeding for the Recovery of any Postage, Postage Debt, or Penalty under the Post Office Acts, shall be deemed to be sufficiently served in case either the Summons or a Copy thereof be served personally upon the Person as aforesaid, or be left at his usual or last known Place of Residence, or, if such Person be a Proprietor, Driver, Conductor, or Guard of any Stage Carriage, if such Summons or Copy be left with the Book-keeper or Person for the Time being acting as Book-keeper for such Stage Carriage in any Town or Place from, into, or through which such Carriage shall go or be driven nearest to the Place where any such Offence shall be committed.

XIX. And be it enacted, That every Constable or other Peace Officer who shall refuse or neglect to serve a Summons or execute a Warrant or Order granted, issued, or made by a Justice of the Peace, pursuant to the Post Office Acts, shall forfeit Ten Pounds.

XX. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall be summoned as a Witness to give Evidence before a Justice of the Peace, or before Justices at Sessions, touching the Matters alleged

Justices empowered to award Costs to Defendants, where Informations or Complaints are withdrawn or dismissed in certain Cases.

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Penalty on Witnesses neglecting to attend. 1887.

alleged in or relating to an Information, Complaint, Appeal, or other Proceeding depending before such Justice or Justices for the Recovery of a Postage, Postage Debt, or Penalty under the Post Office Acts, who shall neglect or refuse to appear before such Justice or Justices at the Time and Place to be for that Purpose appointed, without a reasonable Excuse for such Neglect or Refusal, to be allowed by such Justice or Justices, and every Person so summoned who shall appear, but shall refuse to be examined and give Evidence before such Justice or Justices touching the Matters aforesaid, shall forfeit Ten Pounds.

XXI. And be it enacted, That upon the Trial or Hearing of Officers of the an Information exhibited or Complaint made under the Post Office not disgualified Office Acts any Officer of the Post Office shall be a competent from being Witness, notwithstanding that such Officer may be the In- Witnesses. formant or Complainant, or may be entitled to or expect a Part of any pecuniary Penalty, or any Remuneration or Reward on the Conviction of an Offender upon such Information or Complaint.

XXII. And be it enacted, That in all Cases where Goods In what Manor Chattels distrained or otherwise seized or taken under the rained under Post Office Acts are directed to be sold the same shall be sold this Act shall by public Auction; and Notice of the Time and Place of such be sold. Sale shall be given to the Owner of such Goods or Chattels, or left at his last known Place of Abode, Three Days at least prior to such Sale : Provided always, that if the Owner of any such Goods or Chattels shall give his Consent in Writing to the Sale thereof at an earlier Period than is by this Act or shall be by any such Notice appointed for such Sale, or in any other Manner than is by this Act directed, it shall be lawful to sell such Goods or Chattels according to such Consent: Provided also, that if the Owner of such Goods or Chattels shall at any Time before the Sale thereof pay or tender to the Person who by any Warrant or other Process shall be directed or authorized to cause such Goods or Chattels to be sold the Sum which he shall by such Warrant or Process be directed to levy or raise by the Sale of such Goods or Chattels, together with all reasonable Costs and Expences incurred, no Sale of such Goods or Chattels shall be made.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That the Postmaster General Postmaster may compromise and compound any Action, Suit, Bill, Plaint, compound or Information which shall at any Time hereafter be com- Actions, &c. menced by his Authority or under his Control against any Person for recovering Penalties incurred under the Post Office Acts, on such Terms and Conditions as the Postmaster General shall in his absolute Discretion think proper, with full Power for him, or any of his Officers or Agents by him thereunto authorized, to accept the Penalties so incurred or alleged to be incurred, or any Part thereof, without Action, Suit, or Information brought or commenced for Recovery thereof.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That all Penalties incurred by Penalties to be any Person for Offences against the Post Office Acts shall be sued for within sued

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Embezzlement, &c. of any Letter or Packet, Felony.

Stealing Money, &c. from or out of Letters, Felony.

Persons stealing Post Letter Bags or Post Letters sent by Mail to be transported for Life;

stealing Post Letter Bags or Post Letters sent by Packet to be transported for 14 Years.

sued for within the Space of One Year next after the Penalty shall be incurred.

XXV. And be it enacted, That every Person employed by or under the Post Office who shall contrary to his Duty open or procure or suffer to be opened a Post Letter, or shall wilfully detain or delay, or procure or suffer to be detained or delayed, a Post Letter, shall in England and Ireland be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and in Scotland of a Crime and Offence, and being convicted thereof shall suffer such Punishment by Fine or Imprisonment, or by both, as to the Court shall seem meet: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to the opening or detaining or delaying of a Post Letter returned for Want of a true Direction, or of a Post Letter returned by reason that the Person to whom the same shall be directed is dead or cannot be found, or shall have refused the same, or shall have refused or neglected to pay the Postage thereof; nor to the opening or detaining or delaying of a Post Letter in obedience to an express Warrant in Writing under the Hand (in Great Britain) of One of the Principal Secretaries of State, and in *Ireland* under the Hand and Seal of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That every Person employed under the Post Office who shall steal, or shall for any Purpose whatever embezzle, secrete, or destroy, a Post Letter, shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of Felony, and in *Scotland* of a high Crime and Offence, and shall, at the Discretion of the Court, either be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of Seven Years, or be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years; and if any such Post Letter so stolen or embezzled, secreted or destroyed, shall contain therein any Chattel or Money whatsoever, or any valuable Security, every such Offender shall be transported beyond the Seas for Life.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall steal from or out of a Post Letter any Chattel or Money or valuable Security shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of Felony, and in *Scotland* of a high Crime and Offence, and shall be transported beyond the Seas for Life.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall steal a Post Letter Bag, or a Post Letter from a Post Letter Bag, or shall steal a Post Letter from a Post Office, or from an Officer of the Post Office or from a Mail, or shall stop a Mail with Intent to rob or search the same, shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of Felony, and in *Scotland* of a high Crime and Offence, and shall be transported beyond the Seas for Life.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall steal or unlawfully take away a Post Letter Bag sent by a Post Office Packet, or who shall steal or unlawfully take a Letter out of any such Bag, or shall unlawfully open any such Bag, shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of Felony, and in *Scotland* of a high Crime and Offence, and shall be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fourteen Years.

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XXX. And with regard to Receivers of Property sent by Receivers of the Post and stolen therefrom, be it enacted, That every Person Property sent who shall receive any Post Letter or Post Letter Bag, or any by the Post and Chattel or Money on unbushle Security the statistical or money on the state of the s Chattel or Money or valuable Security, the stealing or taking besiled, guilty or embezzling or secreting whereof shall amount to a Felony of Felony. under the Post Office Acts, knowing the same to have been feloniously stolen, taken, embezzled, or secreted, and to have been sent or to have been intended to be sent by the Post, shall in England and Ireland be guilty of Felony, and in Scatland of a high Crime and Offence, and may be indicted and convicted either as an Accessory after the Fact or for a substantive Felony, and in the latter Case, whether the principal Felon shall or shall not have been previously convicted, or shall or shall not be amenable to Justice; and every such Punishment. Receiver, howsoever convicted, shall be liable to be transported beyond the Seas for Life.

XXXI. 'And whereas Post Letters are sometimes by Mis- Fraudulently take delivered to the wrong Person, and Post Letters and retaining, after Delivery thereof · Post Letter Bags are lost in the course of Conveyance or by Mistake, any ' Delivery thereof, and are detained by the Finders in expecta- Letter or ' tion of Gain or Reward;' be it therefore enacted, That every Packet, and wil-fully scoreting Person who shall fraudulently retain, or shall wilfully scorete or detaining or keep or detain, or being required to deliver up by an any Letters, &c. Officer of the Post Office, shall neglect or refuse to deliver that have been lost, a Mindeup a Post Letter which ought to have been delivered to any meanor. other Person, or a Post Letter Bag or Post Letter which shall have been sent, whether the same shall have been found by the Person secreting, keeping, or detaining, or neglecting or refusing to deliver up the same, or by any other Person, shall in England and Ireland be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and in Scotland of a Punishment. Crime and Offence, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be punished by Fine and Imprisonment.

XXXII. And for the Protection of printed Votes and Pro-Stealing, &c. ceedings in Parliament and printed Newspapers sent by the any printed Notes or Pro-Post, be it enacted, That every Person employed in the Post ceedings in Par-Office who shall steal, or shall for any Purpose embezzle, liament, Newssecrete, or destroy, or shall wilfully detain or delay in course papers or other of Conveyance or Delivery thereof by the Post, any printed Paper, Misdemeanor. Votes or Proceedings in Parliament, or any printed Newspaper, or any other printed Paper whatever sent by the Post without Covers, or in Covers open at the Sides, shall in England and Ireland be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and in Scotland of a Crime and Offence, and being convicted thereof shall suffer such Punishment by Fine or Imprisonment, or by both, as to the Court shall seem meet.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall Forging the knowingly and wilfully forge or counterfeit, or cause or pro- Handwriting cure to be forged or counterfeited, the Name or Handwriting General in of the Receiver General for the Time being of the General Post England or Office in England or Ladred and Andrew States and Sta Office in England or Ireland, or of any Person employed by Ireland, Felony. or under him, to any Draft, Instrument, or Writing whatsoever, for or in order to the receiving or obtaining of any. Money

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Money in the Hands or Custody of the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* or *Ireland* on account of the Receiver General of the Post Office, or shall forge or alter, or shall offer, utter, dispose of, or put off, knowing the same to be forged or altered, any Draft, Warrant, or Order of such Receiver General, or of any Person employed by or under him, for Money or for Payment of Money, with Intent to defraud any Person whomsoever, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be transported beyond the Seas for Life.

XXXIV. And in order to prevent the Imitation and Forgery of lawful Franks, be it further enacted, That every Person who shall forge or counterfeit the Handwriting of another Person in the Superscription of a Post Letter, or who shall alter or change upon a Post Letter the Superscriptior thereof, or who shall write or send by the Post or cause to be written or sent by the Post a Letter the Superscription whereo in whole or in part shall be forged or counterfeited or altered knowing the same to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, with Intent in either of those Cases to avoid the Payment of the Duty of Postage, shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of Felony, and in *Scotland* of a high Crime and Offence, and being convicted thereof shall be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of Seven Years.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony punishable under the Post Office Acts, every Principal in the Second Degree, and every Accessory before the Fact, shall be punishable in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree is by the Post Office Acts punishable; and every Accessory after the Fact to any Felony punishable under the Post Office Acts (except only a Receiver of any Property or Thing stolen, taken, embezzled, or secreted,) shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years; and every Person who shall aid, abet, counsel, or procure the Commission of any Misdemeanor punishable under the Post Office Acts shall be liable to be indicted and punished as a principal Offender.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That every Person who shall solicit or endeavour to procure any other Person to commit a Felony or Misdemeanor punishable by the Post Office Acts shall in *England* and *Ireland* be guilty of a Misdemeanor, and in *Scotland* of a Crime and Offence, and being thereof convicted shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

XXXVII. And for the more effectual Prosecution of Offences committed against the Post Office Acts, be it enacted, That the Offence of every Offender against the Post Office Acts may be dealt with, and indicted and tried, and punished, and laid and charged to have been committed in *England* and *Ireland*, either in the County or Place where the Offence shall be committed, or in any County or Place in which he shall be apprehended or be in Custody, as if his Offence had been actually committed in that County or Place, and if committed in *Scotland* either in

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in the High Court of Justiciary at Edinburgh or in the Circuit Court of Justiciary to be holden by the Lords Commissioners of Justiciary within the District where such Offence shall be committed, or in any County or Place within which such Offender shall be apprehended or be in Custody, as if his Offence had been actually committed there; and where an Offence shall be committed in or upon or in respect of a Mail, or upon a Person engaged in the Conveyance or Delivery of a Post Letter Bag or Post Letter, or in respect of a Post Letter Bag or Post Letter, or a Chattel or Money or valuable Security sent by the Post, such Offence may be dealt with and inquired of, and tried and punished, and laid and charged to have been committed, as well in any County or Place in which the Offender shall be apprehended or be in Custody, as also in any County or Place through any Part whereof the Mail, or the Person, or the Post Letter Bag or the Post Letter, or the Chattel, or the Money, or the valuable Security sent by the Post in respect of which the Offence shall have been committed, shall have passed in due Course of Conveyance or Delivery by the Post, in the same Manner as if it had been actually committed in such County or Place; and in all Cases where the Side or the Centre or other Part of a Highway, or the Side, the Bank, the Centre, or other Part of a River, or Canal or Navigation, shall constitute the Boundary of Two Counties, such Offence may be dealt with and inquired of, and tried and punished, and laid and charged to have been committed in either of the said Counties through which or adjoining to which or by the Boundary of any Part of which the Mail or Person shall have passed in due Course of Conveyance or Delivery by the Post, in the same Manner as if it had actually been committed in such County or Place; and every Accessory before or after the Fact Accessories in to any such Offence, if the same be a Felony or a high Crime, Persons siding and every Person aiding or abetting or counselling or procuring and counselling the Commission of any such Offence, if the same be a Misde- in Misdemeanor, may be dealt with, indicted, tried, and punished as if meanor, may be he were a Principal, and his Offence laid and charged to have Principals. been committed in any County or Place in which the principal Offender may be tried.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That where an Offence shall Bail. have been committed in Scotland no Person committed in Scotland on a Charge of a high Crimé or Offence under this Act shall be entitled to insist on Bail; nevertheless in the following Cases the Party may be admitted to Bail; (that is to say,) First, if the public Prosecutor shall consent thereto, in which Case the Bail shall be such as he shall agree to; Second, if the Judges of the Court of Justiciary, or the Sheriff or Sheriff's Substitute, or Stewart or Stewart's Substitute of the County or Stewartry within which the Person shall be committed, shall deem it consistent with the Ends of Justice, and in this Case the Bail shall be of such Amount as such Judge, under the Circumstances of the Case, may think necessary for ensuring the Appearance for Trial of the Person accused.

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XL. And be it enacted, That in every Case where an Offence shall be committed in respect of a Post Letter Bag or a Post Letter, or a Chattel, Money, or a valuable Security, sent by the Post, it shall be lawful to lay in the Indictment or Criminal Letters to be preferred against the Offender the Property of the Post Letter Bag or of the Post Letter, or Chattel or Money or the valuable Security sent by the Post, in the Postmaster General; and it shall not be necessary in the Indictment or Criminal Letters to allege or to prove upon the Trial or otherwise that the Post Letter Bag or any such Post Letter or valuable Security was of any Value; and in any Indictment or in any Criminal Letters to be preferred against any Person employed under the Post Office for any Offence committed against the Post Office Acts it shall be lawful to state and allege that such Offender was employed under the Post Office of the United Kingdom at the Time of the committing of such Offence, without stating further the Nature or Particulars of his Employment.

XLI. And be it enacted, That every Person convicted of any Offence for which the Punishment of Transportation for Life is herein awarded shall be liable to be transported beyond the Seas for Life or for any Term not less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years; and every Person convicted of any Offence punishable according to the Post Office Acts by Transportation for Fourteen Years shall be liable to be transported for any Term not exceeding Fourteen Years nor less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

XLII. And be it enacted, That where a Person shall be convicted of an Offence punishable under the Post Office Acts for which Imprisonment may be awarded the Court may sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and may also direct that he shall be kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any Portion of such Imprisonment, as to the Court shall seem meet.

XLIII. And be it enacted, That so often as any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty Pounds shall be due for Postage from any Person within the United Kingdom or other Her Majesty's Dominions, or which shall be due for Postage from any Deputy, Agent, or Letter Carrier, or any other Person employed in receiving or collecting the Postage of Letters or any of the Post Office Revenue, or from the Sureties of any such last-mentioned Person, a Complaint may be made to One or more of Her Majesty's Justices acting for the Place (whether County, Riding, Division, City, Town, or other 1837.

other Place), and thereupon he shall summon the Party complained of and the Witnesses on either Side, and shall examine into the Matter of Fact; and on due Proof being made of the Money due from the Person complained of, either by his voluntary Confession, or by the Oath of One Witness or more, the Justice shall grant a Warrant to a Peace Officer (whether Constable, Tithing Man, or other Peace Officer,) of the same Place to distrain the Party complained of by his Goods and Chattels to the Amount of the Debt and of all the Expences, (whether Costs, Charges, or otherwise, of obtaining such Warrant, and of the Proceedings relating thereto, and to the making of the Distress and Sale thereof); and the Constable having taken the Distress may keep it for Five Days at the Charge of the Party complained of, and if the Amount of the Debt and all the Expences shall not be paid within that Time, then the Goods and Chattels distrained shall be sold by the Peace Officer, and the Surplus (if any) of the Money arising by the Sale thereof, after deducting the Amount of the Debt and all the Expences, shall be rendered by the Peace Officer to the Person distrained upon; and for the Purpose of taking such Distress the Peace Officer, when either a Refusal or a Resistance shall be made, may break open in the Daytime any Place (whether House, Building, or otherwise,) where any Goods or Chattels of such Person shall be; and if no sufficient Distress can be had whereon to levy the Debt and Expences, or in case an insufficient Distress only can be found, or if an insufficient Distress has been sold, then a Justice of the Peace may commit such Person to the Prison of the Place, there to remain until the Debt and all Expences, or so much thereof as shall remain after deducting therefrom the Proceeds of the Sale, shall be satisfied; and, in addition to the above Proceedings, if the Postage due from any Officer of the Post Office. Surety, or any other Person in Ireland shall not exceed Fifty Pounds, the same may be recovered with full Costs in a summary Way by Process or Civil Bill in the Court of the District where the Person sued shall reside which has Jurisdiction to try Matters on Civil Bill; but no Decree shall be made thereon unless Process or Civil Bill shall have been served on the Person sued Eight clear Days at least before the First Day of the Quarter Sessions at which it is to be tried; and if the Person sued shall appeal from the Decree made thereon against him, and on the hearing of the Appeal the Decree shall be affirmed, he shall pay to Her Majesty Double the Costs of the original Decree, and the Affirmance thereof shall be conclusive on all the Parties therein.

XLIV. And be it enacted, That all Duties of Postage In what Way granted by any of the Post Office Acts, and charged by virtue Duties of Postthereof, may be sued for and recovered by Suit, Action, or age may be sued for. Information in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record, and by all such Ways and Means and in such Manner and Form as any other Duties granted to Her Majesty by any Act or Acts relating to Her Majesty's Revenue are recoverable by Law as

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well as by the particular Ways and Means provided by this Act; and in all Actions, Bills, Plaints, Informations, and Proceedings to be commenced, prosecuted, entered, or filed in the Name or on behalf of Her Majesty for the Recovery of any such Duties Her Majesty may have and recover such Duties, with full Costs of Suit.

XLV. And be it enacted, That every Complaint, Information, Summons, Conviction, Warrant of Distress, or Commitment or other such Proceeding which shall be had or taken for the Recovery of any Postage Debt or Penalty under the Provisions of the Post Office Acts, may be drawn or made out according to the several Forms contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed, or to the Effect thereof, with such Changes therein as the Case shall require; and every such Complaint, Information, Summons, Conviction, Warrant, or other such Proceeding which shall be so drawn or made out shall be good and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, without stating the Case or the Facts or Evidence in any more particular Manner than is required in and by such Forms respectively.

XLVI. And for the Protection of Persons acting in the Execution of the Post Office Acts, be it enacted, That all legal Proceedings, whether by Action or by Prosecution, which shall be commenced against any Person for any thing done in pursuance of or under the Post Office Acts, shall be commenced and prosecuted within Three Calendar Months next after the Commission of the Act, and not afterwards; and such Proceedings shall be laid and tried in the County or Place where the Cause of Action shall arise, and not elsewhere; and Notice in Writing of such Action, and of the Cause thereof, shall be given to the Defendant One Calendar Month at least before the Commencement of the Action; and in the following Cases the Defendant shall recover his full Costs of Suit as between Attorney and Client, that is to say, if a Verdict shall pass for the Defendant, or if the Plaintiff shall become Nonsuit, or if the Plaintiff shall discontinue the Action, or if on Demurrer or otherwise Judgment shall be given against the Plaintiff; and the Defendant shall have the like Remedy for his Costs as any Defendant may have for Costs of Suits in other Cases at Law; and although a Verdict shall be given for the Plaintiff in any such Action, the Plaintiff shall not have Costs against the Defendant, unless the Judge before whom the Trial shall be had shall at the Time of such Trial certify in Writing his Approbation of the Action, and of the Verdict obtained thereupon.

XLVII. And for the Interpretation of the Post Office Laws, be it enacted, That the following Terms and Expressions shall have the several Interpretations herein-after respectively set forth, unless such Interpretations are repugnant to the Subject or inconsistent with the Context of the Provisions in which they may be found; (that is to say,) the Term "British Letter" shall mean a Letter transmitted within the United Kingdom; and.

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and the Term "British Newspapers" shall mean Newspapers printed and published in the United Kingdom liable to the Stamp Duty and duly stamped; and the Term "British Postage" shall mean the Duty chargeable on Letters transmitted by Post from Place to Place within the United Kingdom, or if transmitted to or from the United Kingdom, chargeable for the Distance which they shall be transmitted within the United Kingdom, and including also the Packet Postage, if any; and the Term " Colonial Letter" shall mean a Letter transmitted between any of Her Majesty's Colonies and the United Kingdom; and the Term "Colonial Newspapers " shall mean Newspapers printed and published in any of Her Majesty's Dominions out of the United Kingdom; and the Term "Convention Posts" shall mean Posts established by the Postmaster General under Agreements with the Inhabitants of any Places; and the Term "Double Letter" shall mean a Letter having One Inclosure; and the Term "Double Postage" shall mean Twice the Amount of Single Postage; and the Term "East Indies" shall mean every Port and Place within the Territorial Acquisitions now vested in the East India Company in Trust for Her Majesty, and every other Port or Place within the Limits of the Charter of the said Company (China excepted), and shall also include the Cape of Good Hope; and the Term "Express" shall mean every Kind of Conveyance employed to carry Letters on behalf of the Post Office other than the usual Mail; and the Term "Foreign Country" shall mean any Country, State, or Kingdom not included in the Dominions of Her Majesty; and the Term "Foreign Letter" shall mean a Letter transmitted to or from a Foreign Country; and the Term "Foreign Newspapers" shall mean Newspapers printed and published in a Foreign Country in the Language of that Country; and the Term "Foreign Postage" shall mean the Duty charged for the Conveyance of Letters within such Foreign Country; and the Term "Franking Officer " shall mean the Person appointed to frank the Official Correspondence of Offices to which the Privilege of Franking is granted; and the Term "Her Majesty" shall mean "Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors"; and the Term "Her Majesty's Colonies" shall include every Port and Place within the Territorial Acquisitions now vested in the East India Company in Trust for Her Majesty, the Cape of Good Hope, the Islands of Saint Helena, Guernsey, Jersey, and Isle of Man, (unless any such Places be expressly excepted,) as well as Her Majesty's other Colonies and Possessions beyond Seas; and the Term "Inland Postage" shall mean the Duty charged for the Transmission of Post Letters within the Limits of the United Kingdom or within the Limits of any Colony; and the Term "Letter" shall include Packet, and the Term "Packet" shall include Letter; and the Expression "Lord Lieutenant of Ireland" shall mean the Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being; and the Expression "Lords of the Treasury " shall mean the Lord High Treasurer of the United

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Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Three or more of them; and the Term "Mail" shall include every Conveyance by which Post Letters are carried, whether it be a Coach or Cart or Horse, or any other Conveyance, and also a Person employed in conveying or delivering Post Letters, and also every Vessel which is included in the Term Packet Boat; and the Term "Mail Bag" shall mean a Mail of Letters, or a Box, or a Parcel, or any other Envelope in which Post Letters are conveyed, whether it does or does not contain Post Letters; and the Term "Master of a Vessel" shall include any Person in charge of a Vessel, whether Commander, Mate, or other Person, and whether the Vessel be a Ship of War or other Vessel; and the Expression "Officer of the Post Office" shall include the Postmaster General, and every Deputy Postmaster, Agent, Officer, Clerk, Letter Carrier, Guard, Post Boy, Rider, or any other Person employed in any Business of the Post Office, whether employed by the Postmaster General, or by any Person under him or on behalf of the Post Office; and the Term "Packet Postage" shall mean the Postage chargeable for the Transmission of Letters by Packet Boats between Great Britain and Ireland, or between the United Kingdom and any of Her Majesty's Colonies, or between the United Kingdom and Foreign Countries; and the Term " Packet Letter" shall mean a Letter transmitted by a Packet Boat; and the Term "Penalty" shall include every pecuniary Penalty or Forfeiture; and the Expression "Persons employed by or under the Post Office" shall include every Person employed in any Business of the Post Office according to the Interpretation given to Officer of the Post Office; and the Terms "Packet Boats" and "Post Office Packets " shall include Vessels employed by or under the Post Office or the Admiralty for the Transmission of Post Letters, and also Ships or Vessels (though not regularly employed as Packet Boats) for the Conveyance of Post Letters under Contract, and also a Ship of War or other Vessel in the Service of Her Majesty, in respect of Letters conveyed by it; and the Term "Postage" shall mean the Duty chargeable for the Transmission of Post Letters; and the Term "Post Town" shall mean a Town where a Post Office is established (not being a Penny or Twopenny or Convention Post Office); and the Term "Post Letter Bag" shall include a Mail Bag or Box, or Packet or Parcel, or other Envelope or Covering in which Post Letters are conveyed, whether it does or does not contain Post Letters; and the Term "Post Letter" shall mean any Letter or Packet transmitted by the Post under the Authority of the Postmaster General, and a Letter shall be deemed a Post Letter from the Time of its being delivered to a Post Office to the Time of its being delivered to the Person to whom it is addressed; and the Delivery to a Letter Carrier or other Person authorized to receive Letters for the Post shall be a Delivery to the Post Office; and a Delivery at the House or Office of the

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the Person to whom the Letter is addressed, or to him, or to his Servant or Agent or other Person considered to be authorized to receive the Letter according to the usual Manner of delivering that Person's Letters, shall be a Delivery to the Person addressed; and the Term "Post Office" shall mean any House, Building, Room, or Place where Post Letters are received or delivered, or in which they are sorted, made up, or despatched; and the Term "Postmaster General" shall mean any Person or Body of Persons executing the Office of Postmaster General for the Time being, having been duly appointed to the Office by Her Majesty; and the Terms "Post Office Acts" and "Post Office Laws" shall mean all Acts relating to. the Management of the Post, or to the Establishment of the Post Office, or to Postage Duties, from Time to Time in force; and the Term "Ships" shall include Vessels other than Packet. Boats; and the Term "Single Postage" shall mean the Postage chargeable for a Single Letter; and the Term "Single Letter " shall mean a Letter consisting of One Sheet or Piece of Paper, and under the Weight of an Ounce; and the Term "Sea Postage" shall mean the Duty chargeable for the Conveyance of Letters by Sea by Vessels not Packet Boats; and the Term "Ship Letter" shall mean a Letter transmitted inwards or outwards over Seas by a Vessel not being a Packet Boat; and the Term "Treble Letter" shall mean a Letter consisting of more than Two Sheets or Pieces of Paper, whatever the Number, under the Weight of an Ounce; and the Term "Treble Postage" shall mean Three Times the Amount of Single Postage; and the Term "Treble the Duty of Postage" shall mean Three Times the Amount of the Postage to which the Letter to be charged would otherwise have been liable according to the Rates of Postage chargeable on Letters; and the Term "United Kingdom" shall mean the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and the Term "Valuable Security" shall include the Whole or any Part of any Tally, Order, or other Security whatsoever, entitling or evidencing the Title of any Person or Body Corporate to any Share or Interest in any Public Stock or Fund, whether of this Kingdom or of Great Britain or of Ireland, or of any Foreign State, or in any Fund of any Body Corporate, Company, or Society, or to any Deposit in any Savings Bank, or the Whole or any Part of anv Debenture, Deed, Bond, Bill, Note, Warrant, or Order or ' other Security whatsoever for Money or for Payment of Money, whether of this Kingdom or of any Foreign State, or of any Warrant or Order for the Delivery of Transfer of any Goods or valuable Thing; and the Term "Vessel" shall include any Ship or other Vessel not a Post Office Packet; and whenever the Term "between" is used in reference to the Transmission of Letters, Newspapers, Parliamentary Proceedings, or other Things between one Place and another it shall apply equally to the Transmission from either Place to the other; and every Officer mentioned shall mean the Person for the Time being executing the Functions of that Officer; and whenever in this Act S 3

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Act or the Schedules thereto, with reference to any Person or Matter or Thing, or to any Persons, Matters, or Things, the Singular or Plural Number or the Masculine Gender only is expressed, such Expression shall be understood to include several Persons or Matters or Things as well as one Person or Matter or Thing, and one Person, Matter, or Thing as well as several Persons or Matters or Things, Females as well as Males, Bodies Politic or Corporate as well as Individuals, unless it be otherwise specially provided, or the Subject or Context be repugnant to such Construction.

XLVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall extend to and be in force in the Islands of *Man*, *Jersey*, *Guernsey*, *Sark*, and *Alderney*, and in all Her Majesty's Colonies and Dominions where 'any Post or Post Communication is established by or under the Postmaster General of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

XLIX. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or repealed during the present Session of Parliament.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

No. 1.

Form of an Information for the Recovery of a Penalty under this Act.

County [or as the Case may be] of to wit. BE it remembered, That on the Day in the Year of our Lord at in the of A.B. of, &c. [or A.B., an Officer of the Post Office, as the Case may be,] cometh before me, C.D. Esquire, One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said and informeth me the said Justice that E.F. of heretofore, to wit, on the Day of in the Year of our Lord

at in the said did [here state the Offence], contrary to the Form of the Statute in such Case made and provided, whereby the said *E. F.* hath forfeited for his said Offence the Sum of

Taken and received by me, the Day and Year first above written.

No. 2.

Form of a Summons on the foregoing Information.

To E.F. of, &c.

County [or as the Case may be] of to wit. WHEREAS an Information hath been exhibited before me, C.D. Esquire, One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the

of , charging that you the above-named *E.F.*, on the Day of at did [here state the Substance of the Charge], whereby you have forfeited the Sum of These are therefore to require you

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vou personally to be and appear before me the said Justice, or before such other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said as shall be then present, at on the Day of at

the Hour of in the noon of the same Day, then and there to answer the same Information and to make your Defence thereto; and if you fail to appear accordingly such Proceedings will be taken as if you had personally appeared and had not made any Defence to the said Charge. Given under my Hand and Seal this Day

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No. 3.

Form of a Conviction on the foregoing Information.

County [or as the) BE it remembered, That on the Day Case may be] of to wit. of at E.F. of, &c. was duly convicted before me One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for in pursuance of an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act," §c. [Title of this Act] for Day of that the said E.F. on the did [here state the Offence as the Case may happen to be], contrary to the Form of the Statute in that Case made and provided; for which Offence I do adjudge that the said E.F. hath forfeited the Sum of and [if the Justice mitigate the Penalty] which Sum of I do hereby mitigate to the Sum of over and above the Sum of for the Costs and Charges of G. H., the Informer, in prosecuting this Conviction. Given under my Hand and Seal the Day of

No. 4.

Form of a Warrant of Distress founded on the foregoing Conviction. To the Constable of in the

of County [or as the County [or as the] WHEREAS E. F. of to wit. WHEREAS E. F. of to wit. Half convicted of a certain Offence, for [here state the Offence as in Conviction] whereby he hath forfeited the Sum of [and in case of Mitigation, which hath been mitigated to the Sum of] over and above the reasonable Costs and Charges of the Informer, allowed and assessed at the Sum of : Therefore I command you to levy the said Sum of

and also the said Sum of for the Costs and Charges aforesaid; making together the Sum of by distraining the Goods and Chattels of the said E.F.; and if within the Space of Five Days next after such Distress taken the said Sum of together with the reasonable Costs and Charges of taking and keeping such Distress, shall not be paid, then I order and direct that you shall sell and dispose of the said Goods and Chattels which shall be so distrained, S 4 seized,

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seized, and taken as aforesaid, and shall levy and raise thereout the said Sum of and all reasonable Costs and Charges of taking and keeping and selling such Distress, rendering the Overplus, if any, to the Owner of the said Goods and Chattels; and you are to certify to me what you shall have done by virtue of this my Warrant. Given under my Hand and Seal the Day of

(Signed)

One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said of

No. 5.

Form of a Warrant of Commitment for Want of a sufficient Distress founded on the foregoing Conviction.

To the Constable of and to the Keeper of the Common Gaol [or House of Correction] at

in the said

County [or as the Case may be] of to wit. WHEREAS E.F. of duly convicted of a certain Offence, for that [here state the Offence as in the Conviction]

state the Offence as in the Conviction], whereby he hath forfeited the Sum of [and in case of Mitigation, which hath been mitigated to the Sum of] over and above the reasonable Costs and Charges of the Informer, allowed and assessed at the Sum of making together the Sum of : And whereas it

has been duly made to appear to me, that no sufficient Distress can be found whereon to levy the said Sum of : Therefore I command you the Constable of

to apprehend and take the said *E.F.* and safely to carry him to the Common Gaol [or House of Correction] at

in the of and there to deliver him to the Keeper thereof, together with this Warrant; and I do hereby command you the said Keeper to receive into your Custody in the said Gaol [or House of Correction] him the said *E.F.*, and him therein safely to keep for the Space of

unless the said Sum of shall be sooner paid. Given under my Hand and Seal the of Day

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One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said of

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No. 6.

Form of a Complaint whereon to found a Warrant of Distress for Recovery of Postage.

County [or as the Case may be] of to wit. BE it remembered, That on this Day of in the Year of our Lord at in the

of A.B., an Officer of the Post Office, complaineth to me, C.D. Esquire, One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said that the Sum of

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is due and owing from E.F. of

to Her Majesty [or to the said A.B., if the Case be so,] for the Duty of Postage, which he hath refused or neglected to pay; and thereupon the said A.B. prayeth of me the said Justice that the said E.F. may be summoned to appear and show Cause, if any he have, why, due Proof being made of the Sum due and owing from him for Postage as aforesaid, a Warrant of Distress should not be granted for Recovery thereof, pursuant to the Direction of the Statute in that Behalf made.

Taken and received by me the Day

and Year first above written.

No. 7.

Form of Summons on the foregoing Complaint.

To E.F. of

County [or as the Case may be] of to wit. Case for the Dense for the C.D. Esquire, One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the that the Sum of is due and owing from you to Her Majesty [or to A.B., an Officer of the Post Office, if the Case be so,] for the Duty of Postage, which you have refused or neglected to pay: These are therefore to summon you to in the said be and appear at on at the Hour of Day of the in the noon of the same Day, before me the said Justice, or before such other of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for as shall be then present, in order the said that you may show Cause, if any you have, why, on due Proof being made of the Sum of Money due and owing from you for such Duty of Postage as aforesaid, a Warrant of Distress should not be granted for the Recovery thereof, pursuant to the Directions of the Statute in that Behalf made; and if you fail to appear accordingly, such Proceedings will be taken as if you had appeared, and had not shown any sufficient Cause why such Warrant should not be granted. Given under my Hand and Seal this Day of

No. 8.

Form of a Warrant of Distress founded on the foregoing Complaint.

To the Constable of

[or to C.D. of

as the Case may be.]

County [or as the WHEREAS Complaint hath been made that E.F. Case may be] of is indepted to Her Majesty is indebted to Her Majesty of to wit. [or to A.B. an Officer of the Post Office, if the Case be so,] in the Sum of for the Duty of

Postage, which he hath refused or neglected to pay: And whereas the said E.F. hath been duly summoned, and due Proof hath been made on Oath before me that the Sum of is due and owing from the said E.F. for such

Duty of Postage as aforesaid, and that he hath neglected to pay the same : Therefore I command you to distrain the said E.F. by

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by his Goods and Chattels, and to levy thereon the said lastmentioned Sum, being the Amount of such Duty of Postage as aforesaid, and also the further Sum of for the Costs, Charges, and Expences of proceeding for and obtaining this Warrant, and of the Proceedings incident and relating and if thereto, making together the Sum of within the Space of Five Days next after the taking of such Distress the Sum of together with the reasonable Costs and Charges of taking and keeping such Distress, shall not be paid, then I do hereby order and direct that you shall sell and dispose of the said Goods and Chattels which shall be so distrained, and that you shall levy and raise thereout the said Sum of and all reasonable Costs and Charges of taking, Reeping, and selling such Distress, rendering the Overplus (if any) to the Owner of the said Goods and Chattels; and you are to certify to me what you have done by virtue of this my Warrant. Given under my Hand and Seal Day of this

(Signed)

One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said of

No. 9.

Form of a Warrant of Commitment for Want of sufficient Distress, founded on the foregoing Complaint.

To the Constable of in the of and also to the Keeper of the Common Gaol [or House of Correction] at in the said .

County [or as the'] WHEREAS Complaint was made that E.F. of Case may be] of to wit.

[or to A.B., an Officer of the Post Office, if the Case be so, in the Sum of for the Duty of Postage, which he had refused or neglected to pay: And whereas the said E.F. was duly summoned, and due Proof was made on Oath that the Sum of was due and owing from the said E.F. for such Duty of Postage as aforesaid, and that he had neglected to pay the same: And whereas a Warrant has been issued directed to C.D. of commanding him, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the said E.F., to levy the said last-mentioned Sum, being the Amount of such Duty of Postage as aforesaid, due and owing from the said E.F., and also the further Sum of for the Costs, Charges, and Expences of

proceedings for and obtaining the said Warrant, and of the Proceedings incident and relating thereto, making together the Sum of ; and it now appearing to me by the Oath of the said C.D. that no sufficient Distress can be found whereon to levy the said Duty, Costs, and Charges [or in case an insufficient Distress shall have been taken, And whereas the said C.D. hath certified to me that he hath under the said Warrant levied and raised the Sum of only; and it now appearing 1837.

appearing to me by the Oath of the said C.D. that no sufficient Distress can be found whereon to levy the Residue of the said Duty, Costs, and Charges]: Therefore I command you the said Constable of to apprehend and take the said E.F., and safely to convey him to the Common Gaol [or House of Correction] of the said in at the said and there to deliver him to the Keeper thereof, together with this Warrant; and I do hereby command you the said Keeper to receive into your Custody in the said Gaol [or House of Correction] him the said E.F., and him therein safely to keep until the said Sum of or until the Sum of the Residue of the said Duty, Costs, and Charges remaining after deducting the said Sum so levied and raised as aforesaid, shall be of fully paid and satisfied. Given under my Hand and Seal this Day of

(Signed)

One of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said

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An Act to continue until the First Day of July in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight. and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, an Act for the more effectual Administration of the Office of a Justice of the Peace in and near the Metropolis. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, ' intituled An Act for the more effectual Administration of Justice 3& 4 W. 4. ' in the Office of a Justice of the Peace in the several Police Offices c. 19. ' established in the Metropolis, and for the more effectual Prevention ' of Depredations on the River Thames and its Vicinity, which • said Act will expire at the End of the present Session of Par-' liament: And whereas it is expedient to continue the same;' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Act Recited Act shall continue and be in force until the First Day of July in the continued. Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and from thence until the End of the then next Session of Parliament, unless Parliament shall otherwise provide.

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by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That in all Cases in which the Words "Sheriff," "Sheriff Clerk," "Shire," "Sheriffdom," and "County," occur k," in any existing Act of Parliament, or shall occur in any future Act, relating to Scotland, the Word "Sheriff" shall be deemed and taken to comprehend and apply to any Steward, the Words "Sheriff Clerk," "Sheriffdom," and "County" to comprehend and apply to any Stewartry in Scotland, excepting where otherwise specially provided, and excepting Cases in which there is any thing in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Meaning and Application.

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An Act to continue an Act of the Fifty-fourth Year of His Majesty King *George* the Third, for rendering the Payment of Creditors more equal and expeditious in *Scotland*, until the First Day of *May* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, ' intituled An Act for rendering the Payment of Creditors more equal and expeditious in Scotland, which Act was to continue 6 ' for Seven Years from the Twenty-fifth Day of July One ' thousand eight hundred and fourteen, and from thence to the · End of the then next Session of Parliament: And whereas • the said Act has been continued by several Acts passed in ' the Third, Fourth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth, and Tenth ' Years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, ' and in the First, Second, and Fourth and Fifth, and Sixth ' and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King "William the Fourth, but is now about to expire; and it is ' necessary that the same should be further continued :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Act of the Fifty-fourth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Third shall be and the same is hereby further continued till the First Day of May One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

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Recited Act further continued.

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An Act for the more effectual Recovery of Small Debts Staff C 39, 414 in the Sheriff Courts, and for regulating the Establishment of Circuit Courts for the Trial of Small Debt Causes by the Sheriffs, in Scotland.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled ' An Act for the more effectual Recovery of Small Debts, and for 10 G.4. c. 55. ' diminishing the Expences of Litigation in Causes of small Amount, ' in the Sheriff Courts in Scotland, the Provisions of which have ' been found beneficial, but Experience has pointed out certain ' Alterations by which its Benefits will be extended and ren-' dered more effectual; and it is expedient that such Alterations ' and the former Provisions should be consolidated in One Act :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said recited Recited Act re-Act shall be and the same is hereby repealed from and after pealed, except the First Day of October next, save and except as to such as to Causes commenced. Causes as shall have been commenced under the Authority of the said recited Act before the said First Day of October next, and shall be then depending, all which Causes shall be carried to a Conclusion according to the Rules prescribed by the said Act, notwithstanding this Act; and this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the said First Day of October next.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Sheriff Sheriffs may in Scotland within his County to hear, try, and determine in a hear and detersummary Way, as more particularly herein-after mentioned, all mine in a sum-mary Way as more particularly herein-after mentioned, all mine in a sum-mary Way Civil Causes and all Prosecutions for statutory Penalties, as well Causes for Sums as all Maritime Civil Causes and Proceedings, that may be under 81. 6s. 8d. competently brought before him, wherein the Debt, Demand, or Penalty in question shall not exceed the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, exclusive of Expences and Fees of Extract: Provided always, that the Pursuer or Prosecutor shall in all Cases be held to have passed from and abandoned any remaining Portion of any Debt, Demand, or Penalty beyond the Sum actually concluded for in any such Cause or Prosecution.

III. And be it enacted, That all such Causes and Prosecu- Providing tions which the Pursuers or Prosecutors thereof shall choose to Forms of have heard and determined according to the summary Mode Proceedings. hereby provided shall proceed, except as herein-after provided, upon Summons or Complaint, agreeably to the Form in Schedule (A.) annexed to this Act, and containing Warrant to arrest upon the depending Action, stating shortly the Origin of Debt or Ground of Action, and concluding against the Defender; which Summons or Complaint, being signed by the Sheriff Clerk,

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Clerk, shall be a sufficient Warrant and Authority to any Sheriff's Officer for summoning the Defender to appear and answer at the Time and Place mentioned in such Summons and Complaint, not being sooner than upon the Sixth Day after such Citation, and the same, or the Copy thereof, served on the Defender, shall also be a sufficient Warrant for summoning such Witnesses and Havers as either Party shall require; and a Copy of the said Summons or Complaint, with the Citation annexed, and also a Copy of the Account, if any, shall be served at the same Time by the Sheriff's Officer on the Defender personally or at his Dwelling Place, or in case of a Company at their ordinary Place of Business; and the Officer summoning Parties, Witnesses, or Havers shall in all Cases under this Act return an Execution of Citation, signed by him, or shall appear and give Evidence on Oath of such Citation having been duly made; and all such Citations given by an Officer alone without Witnesses, and Executions thereof subscribed by such Officer, shall be good and effectual to all Intents and Purposes.

Causes of higher Value than 8*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. reduced to 8*l*. 6*s*. 8*d*. may be remitted to the Small Debt Roll.

Recovery of Rents not exceeding 81. 6s. 8d.

IV. And be it enacted, That in any Cause before the Sheriff's Ordinary Court, in which the Debt, Demand, or Penalty in question shall not exceed the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, or shall have exceeded the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, but from Interim Decree or otherwise the Value shall, previous to the closing of the Record, be reduced so as not to exceed Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, exclusive of Expences and Fees of Extract, it shall be competent to the Sheriff, if he shall think proper, and with the Consent of the Pursuer, to remit such Cause to such of his Small Debt Court Rolls as may be proper, either of his own Motion or upon the Motion of any Party in the Cause: Provided that if the Pursuer shall not consent the Provisions of this Act as to the Fees or Expences to be allowed in Causes below the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence brought not according to the summary Form herein provided shall be applied to such Causes subsequent to the Proposition for Remit, if the Sheriff shall think proper so to modify the Expences: Provided also, that when a Case has been remitted by the Sheriff Substitute from the Ordinary Court to the Small Debt Court an Appeal shall be competent to the Sheriff against such Remit, but no Reclaiming Petition shall be allowed against such Remit.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall be competent for the Sheriff in the Small Debt Courts established or to be established under this Act to hear, try, and determine, in the summary Form hereby provided, Applications by Landlords or others having Right to the Rents and Hypothec for Sequestration and Sale of a Tenant's Effects for Recovery of Rent, provided the Rent or Balance of Rent claimed shall not exceed Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling; and the Summons and Warrant of Sequestration and Procedure shall be agreeable to the Forms directed in Schedule (B.) annexed to to this Act; and the Officer, when he executes the Warrant, shall get the Effects appraised by Two Persons, who may also be Witnesses to the Sequestration; and an Inventory or List of the Effects, with the Appraisement, shall be given to or left for the Tenant, who shall be cited in Manner and to the Effect aforesaid; and an Execution of the Citation and Sequestration, with the Appraisement of the Effects, shall be returned to the Clerk within Three Days; and on hearing the Application in manner provided by this Act relative to other Causes the Sheriff shall dispose of the Cause as shall be just, and may either recall the Sequestration in whole or in part, or pronounce Decree for, the Rent found due, and grant Warrant for the Sale of the sequestrated Effects on the Premises or at such other Place and on such Notice as he shall by general or special Regulation direct, and failing such Directions the Sale shall be carried into effect in the Manner herein-after directed for the Sale of poinded and sequestrated Effects; and if after Sequéstration the Tenant shall pay the Rent claimed, with the Expences, to the Pursuers, or consign the Rent, with Two Pounds Sterling to cover Expences, in the Hands of the Clerk of Court, the Sequestration shall ipso facto be recalled, in case of Payment, on the Clerk writing and signing on the Back of the Summons or, Warrant the Words "Payment made," which, on Evidence being produced to him of Payment of the Rents claimed, with Expences, he is hereby required to do, and in case of Consignation, after the Clerk shall in like Manner have written and signed the Words "Consignation made," on the same being intimated by an Officer of Court to the sequestrating Creditor.

VI. And be it enacted, That the Pursuer of any Civil Cause, Arrestment of including Maritime Civil Causes and Proceedings, may use Goods of Defender. Arrestment on the Dependence of the Action of any Money, Goods, or Effects to an Amount or Extent not exceeding the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, owing or belonging to such Defender, in the Hands of any Third Party, either within the County in which such Warrant shall have been issued, or in any other County or Counties: Provided always, that before using such Warrant in any other County it shall be presented to and indorsed by the Sheriff Clerk of such other County, who is hereby required to make such Indorsement on Payment of the Fee herein-after mentioned : Provided also, that any Arrestment laid on under the Authority of this Act shall, on the Expiry of Three Months from the Date thereof, cease and determine, without the Necessity of a Decree or Warrant of loosing the same, unless such Arrestment shall be renewed by a special Warrant or Order duly intimated to the Arrestee, in which Case it shall subsist and be in force for the like Time and under the like Conditions as under the original Warrant, or unless an Action of Forthcoming or Multiplepoinding, in manner herein-after provided, shall have been raised before the Expiry of the said Period of Three Months, in which Case the Arrestment shall subsist and be in force until the Termination

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Termination of such Action of Forthcoming or Multiplepoinding. VII. And be it enacted and declared, That Wages of La-

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bourers and Manufacturers shall, so far as necessary for their Subsistence, be deemed alimentary, and, in like Manner as Servants Fees and other alimentary Funds, not liable to Arrestment.

VIII. And be it enacted. That when any Arrestment shall have been used on the Dependence of any Action, it shall be competent to the Defender to have such Arrestment loosed, on lodging with the Sheriff Clerk of the County in which such Arrestment shall have been used a Bond or Enactment of Caution, by One or more good and sufficient Cautioners to the Satisfaction of such Sheriff Clerk, agreeably to the Form m Schedule (C.) annexed to this Act, or on consigning in the Hands of such Sheriff Clerk the Amount of the Debt or Demand, with Five Shillings for Expences in Cases of Actions for Sums below Five Pounds, and Ten Shillings in Cases of higher Amount, or on producing to such Sheriff Clerk Evidence of the Defender having obtained Decree of Absolvitor in the Action, or of his having paid the Sums decerned for, or of his having consigned in the Hands of the Clerk of the Court in which the Action depended the Sums decerned for or the Amount of the Debt or Demand, and Expences as aforesaid, when no Decree has yet been pronounced; and a Certificate in the Form in the said Schedule given by the Sheriff Clerk of the County in which such Arrestment shall have been used of a Bond or Enactment of Caution to the Extent of the Debt or Demand and Expences having been lodged with him, or of Consignation, as above provided, having been made in his Hands, shall operate as a Warrant for loosing any Arrestment used either in that or in any other County on the Dependence of the same Action, without any other Caution being found or any other Consignation being made by the Defender.

IX. And be it enacted, That any Person entitled to pursue an Action of Forthcoming where the Sum or Demand sought to be recovered under the Forthcoming shall not exceed the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, exclusive of Expences and Fees of Extract, who shall choose to have the same heard and determined according to the summary Mode provided by this Act, shall proceed by Summons or Complaint agreeably to the Form in Schedule (D.) annexed to this Act, concluding for Payment of the Sum for which Arrestment has been used, or for Delivery of the Goods and Effects arrested, which Summons or Complaint, being signed by the Sheriff Clerk of the County in which the Arrestee resides, shall be a sufficient Warrant and Authority to any Sheriff's Officer for summoning the Arrestee and the common Debtor to appear and answer at a Sheriff Court of the County in which the Arrestee resides, the same not being sooner than the Sixth Day after the Date of Citation, and also for summoning Witnesses

Rendering Arrestments effectual. nesses and Havers for all Parties; and in the event of the common Debtor not residing and not being found within the County in which such Action of Forthcoming shall be brought, he may be cited by any Sheriff's Officer in any other County on the said Warrant, the same being first presented to and indorsed by the Sheriff Clerk of such other County, who is hereby required to indorse the same on Payment of the Fee herein-after mentioned, to appear at a Sheriff Court in the County in which the Arrestee resides, the same not being sooner in such Case than on the Twelfth Day after the Date of Citation : 'Provided always, that the Arrestee and the common Debtor shall be cited to appear on the same Court Day, and that a Copy of the said Summons or Complaint, with the Citation annexed thereto, shall be duly served by the Officer, all in the same Manner as herein-before provided in other Causes and Prosecutions under Authority of this Act, but always allowing to a Party cited to appear in the Sheriff Court of a different County from that in which the Citation shall be given Double the Time required by this Act to be allowed to a Party cited to appear in the Sheriff Court of the County within which the Citation shall be given: Provided also, that the Pursuer of such Action of Forthcoming shall not by such Action be held to have restricted the Amount of the Debt due by the common Debtor.

X. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall hold a Actions of Fund or Subject which shall not exceed the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence, which shall be claimed by more than One Party, under Arrestments or otherwise, it shall be competent to raise a Summons of Multiplepoinding in the Small Debt Court established or to be established under this Act, to the Jurisdiction of which the Holder of the Fund or Subject shall be amenable, which Summons and Procedure thereon shall be agreeable to the Form in Schedule (E.) annexed to this Act, and the Claimants and common Debtors, and also the Holder of the Fund or Subject, if the Process be raised in his Name by any other Party interested, shall be cited in manner directed to be followed in Actions of Forthcoming raised under this Act; and it shall be competent to the Sheriff, when he shall see Cause, to order such further Intimation or Publication of the Multiplepoinding as he may think proper, by Advertisement in any Newspaper or otherwise; but no Judgment preferring any Party to the Fund or Subject in medio shall be pronounced at the first calling of the Cause, or until due Intimation has been given, such as may appear satisfactory to the Sheriff, in order that all Parties may have an Opportunity of lodging their Claims on the Fund or Subject in medio, and such Claims shall be prepared agreeably to the Form in Schedule (E.); and the Sheriff shall hear, try, and determine the Cause as nearly as may be in the summary Form provided by this Act.

XI. And be it enacted, That where any Defender intends Counter to plead any counter Account or Claim against the Debt, Claims. T 2 Demand,

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Copy of such counter Account or Claim by an Officer on the Pursuer, in the Form set forth in Schedule (A.) hereunto annexed, or to the like Effect, at least One free Day before the Day of Appearance, otherwise the same shall not be heard or allowed to be pleaded, except with the Pursuer's Consent, but Action shall be reserved for the same.

XII. And be it enacted, That every Officer to whom any Warrant as aforesaid for citing Witnesses and Havers shall be intrusted shall cite such Witnesses or Havers as any Party shall require; and all such Warrants shall have the same Force and Effect in any other County as in the County where they are originally issued, the same being first presented to and indorsed by the Sheriff Clerk of such other County, who is hereby required to indorse the same on Payment of the Fee herein-after mentioned; and if any Witness or Haver, duly cited on a Citation of at least Forty-eight Hours, shall fail to appear, he shall forfeit and pay a Penalty not exceeding Forty Shillings, unless a reasonable Excuse be offered and sustained : and every such Penalty shall be paid to the Party citing the Witness or Haver, and shall be recovered in the same Manner as other Penalties under this Act, without Prejudice always to Letters of Second Diligence for compelling Witnesses and Havers to attend, as at present competent; and it shall be competent to the Sheriff of any County where a Witness or Haver resides who has failed to comply with the Citations originally issued to grant Letters of Second Diligence for compel-ling the Attendance of such Witnesses or Havers, and it shall be no Objection to any Witness that such Witness has appeared without Citation or without having been regularly cited.

XIII. And be it enacted, That when the Parties shall appear the Sheriff shall hear them vivá voce, and examine Witnesses or Havers upon Oath, and may also examine the Parties, and may put them or any of them upon Oath, in case of Oath in Supplement being required or of a Reference being made, and if he should see Cause may remit to Persons of Skill to report, or to any Person competent to take and report in Writing the Evidence of Witnesses or Havers who may be unable to attend upon special Cause shown, and such Cause shall in all Cases be entered in the Book of Causes kept by the Sheriff Clerk, due Notice of the Examination being given to both Parties, and thereupon the Sheriff may pronounce Judgment; and the Decree, stating the Amount of the Expences (if any) found due to any Party, (which may include personal Charges, if the Sheriff think fit,) and containing Warrant for Arrestment, and for Poinding and Imprisonment when competent, shall be annexed to the Summons or Complaint, and on the same Paper with it, agreeably to the Form in Schedule (A.) annexed to this Act, or to the like Effect; which Decree and Warrant, being signed by the Clerk, shall be a sufficient Authority for instant Arrestment, and also for Poinding and Sale and Imprisonment, where competent, after the Elapse of Ten free Days from the Date of the Decree, if

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if the Party against whom it shall have been given was personally present when it was pronounced, but if he was not so present Poinding and Sale and Imprisonment shall only proceed after a Charge of Ten free Days, by serving a Copy of the Complaint and Decree on the Party personally or at his Dwelling Place; and if any Decree shall not be enforced by Poinding or Imprisonment within a Year from the Date thereof, or from a Charge for Payment given thereon, such Decree shall not be enforced

without a new Charge duly given as aforesaid. XIV. And be it enacted, That no Procurators, Solicitors, Procurstors, nor any Persons practising the Law shall be allowed to appear &c. not to or plead for any Party without Leave of the Court upon appear or plead, nor Pleadings special Cause shown, and such Leave and the Cause thereof to be reduced shall in all Cases be entered in the Book of Causes kept by the to Writing, Sheriff Clerk; nor shall any of the Pleadings be reduced to of Court. Writing or be entered upon any Record, unless with Leave of the Court first had and obtained, in consequence of any Difficulty in point of Law or special Circumstances of any particular Case: Provided always, that when the Sheriff shall order any such Pleadings to be reduced to Writing every Case in which such Order shall be made shall thenceforth be conducted according to the ordinary Forms and Proceedings in Civil Causes and in Prosecutions for statutory Penalties, and shall be disposed of in all respects as if this Act had not been passed.

XV. And be it enacted, That any Defender who has been Parties not duly cited failing to appear personally or by one of his Family, appearing or or by such Person as the Sheriff shall allow, such Person not making suffi-cient Excuse to being an Officer of Court, shall be held confessed, and the be held conother Party shall obtain Decree against him; and in like Manner fessed. if the Pursuer or Prosecutor shall fail to appear personally or by one of his Family, or by such Person as the Sheriff shall allow, such Person not being an Officer of Court, the Defender shall obtain Decree of Absolvitor, unless in either Case a sufficient Excuse for Delay shall be stated, on which account, or on account of the Absence of Witnesses, or any other good Reason, it shall at all Times be competent for the Sheriff to adjourn any Case to the next or any other Court Day, and to ordain the Parties and Witnesses then to attend.

XVI. And be it enacted, That where a Decree has been Hearing in pronounced in Absence of a Defender it shall be competent for Cases of Decree him, upon consigning the Expences decerned for, and the further Sum of Ten Shillings to meet further Expences, in the Hands of the Clerk, at any Time before a Charge is given, or in the event of a Charge being given before Implement of the Decree has followed thereon, provided in the latter Case the Period from the Date of the Charge does not exceed Three Months, to obtain from the Clerk a Warrant signed by him sisting Execution till the next Court Day or to any subsequent Court Day to which the same may be adjourned, and containing Authority for citing the other Party, and Wit-ТЗ nesses

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nesses and Havers for both Parties; and the Clerk shall be bound to certify to the Sheriff on the next Court Day every such Application for Hearing and Sist granted; and such Warrant, being duly served upon the other Party personally or at his Dwelling Place in the Manner provided in other Cases by this Act, shall be an Authority for hearing the Cause; and in like Manner, where Absolvitor has passed in Absence of the Pursuer or Prosecutor, it shall be competent for him, at any Time, within One Calendar Month thereafter, upon consigning in the Hands of the Clerk the Sum awarded by the Sheriff in his Decree of Absolvitor as the Expences for the Defender and his Witnesses, with the further Sum of Five Shillings to meet further Expences, to obtain a Warrant, signed by the Clerk, for citing the Defender and Witnesses for both Parties, which Warrant, being duly served upon the Defender in the Manner provided in other Cases by this Act, shall be an Authority for hearing the Cause as hereby provided in the Case of a Hearing at the Instance of the Defender, the said Sum of Expences awarded by the Sheriff and consigned as aforesaid being in every Case paid over to the other Party, unless the contrary shall be specially ordered by the Court; and all such Warrants for Hearing shall be in force, and may be served by any Sheriff Officer in any County, without Indorsation or other Authority than this Act.

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XVII. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff Clerk shall keep a Book, wherein shall be entered all Causes conducted under the Authority of this Act, setting forth the Names and Designations of the Parties, and whether present or absent at the calling of the Cause, the Nature and Amount of the Claim and Date of giving it in, the Mode of Citation, the Leave and Cause of Procurators Appearance, the several Deliverances or Interlocutors, and the final Decree, with the Date thereof, which Book shall be signed each Court Day by the Sheriff; and the said Entries by the Clerk shall be according to the Form in Schedule (F.) annexed to this Act, or with such Addition as the Sheriff shall appoint; and the Sheriff Clerk shall also keep a Book or Books containing a Register or Registers of all Indorsations of Decrees and Warrants issued in other Counties, and of all Warrants for Arrestment on the Dependence, and of all Loosings of Arrestment, and of all Reports of Poindings or Sequestrations and Sales of Goods and Effects, which Registers shall be open and patent at Office Hours to all concerned, without Fee; and the Sheriff Clerk shall cause a Copy of the Roll of Causes to be tried on each Court Day to be exhibited to the Public on a patent Part of the Court House at least One Hour before the Time of meeting of such Court, and which shall continue there during the Time the Court shall be sitting; and the Sheriff Clerk or an Officer of Court shall audibly call the Causes in such Roll in their Order.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff may, if he direct Payment think proper, direct the Sum or Sums found due to be paid by Instalments. by

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by Instalments weekly, monthly, or quarterly, according to the Circumstances of the Party found liable, and under such Conditions or Qualifications as he shall think fit to annex.

XIX. And be it enacted, That any Decree obtained under Decrees may be this Act may be enforced where competent against the Person enforced in any or Effects of any Party in any other County as well as in the other County. County where the Decree is issued: Provided always, that such . Decree or an Extract thereof shall be first produced to and indorsed by the Sheriff Clerk of such other County, who is hereby required to make such Indorsement on Payment of the Fee herein-after mentioned.

XX. And be it enacted, That the Sequestration or Poinding Appraisement and Sale shall be carried into effect by the Officer in a sum- and Sale of mary Way, by getting the Effects sequestrated or poinded duly sequestrated appraised by Two Persons, who may also be Witnesses to the Effects. Sequestration or Poinding, and leaving an Inventory or List thereof for the Party whose Effects are sequestrated or poinded, and not sooner than Forty-eight Hours thereafter carrying such Effects to the nearest Town or Village, or, in case the Sequestration or Poinding shall take place in a Town or Village, to the Cross or most public Place thereof, and selling the same to the highest Bidder by public Roup between the Hours of Eleven Forenoon and Three Afternoon at the Cross or such most public Place, on previous Notice of at least Two Hours by the Crier, but reserving to the Sheriff, by such general Regulation or special Order in any particular Case as he shall think fit, to appoint a different Hour or Place for the Sale or a longer or different Kind of Notice to be given of the Time of selling; and in Sequestrations and Poindings the Overplus of the Price, if there shall be any, after Payment of the Sums decerned for, and the Expences, if Expences are awarded, including what is allowed by this Act for Sequestration or Poinding and Sale, shall be returned to the Owner, or consigned with the Sheriff Clerk if the Owner cannot be found; or if the Effects are not sold the same shall be delivered over at the appraised Value to the Creditor to the Amount of the Sum decerned for and Expences, if awarded, and the Allowances for Sequestration or Poinding and Sale; and a Report of the Proceedings in the Sequestration or Poinding and Sale and Proceeds, or of the Delivery of the Effects, shall in every Case be made by the Officer to the Sheriff Clerk within Eight Days thereafter, agreeably to the Form in Schedule (G.) annexed to this Act, or to the like Effect; and where the Sheriff shall order a Sale of Goods or Effects arrested, the same Course of proceeding shall be adopted as is above directed in the Case of Poinding and Sale; and no Officer to whom the Enforcement of Decrees or Warrants in Cases falling under this Act may be committed shall be liable to any Penalty, Fine, or Punishment for selling Goods or Effects under Authority of such Decrees or Warrants by public Auction, although such Officer may not be licensed as an Auctioneer, any thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding; and if any Person shall secrete or carry off T 4 or

or intromit with any poinded or sequestered Effects in fraudem of the poinding Creditors or of the Landlord's Hypothec, such Person shall be liable to summary Punishment by Fine or Imprisonment, as for Contempt of Court, either at the Instance of the private Party, with or without the Concurrence of the Procurator Fiscal, or at the Instance of the Procurator Fiscal, or ex proprio motu of the Sheriff, besides being liable otherwise as accords of Law.

XXI. And be it enacted, That in all Charges and Arrestments, and Executions of Charges and Arrestments, under this Act, One Witness shall be sufficient, any Law or Practice to the contrary heretofore notwithstanding.

XXII. And be it enacted, That all Actions of Damages for Compensation for Loss or Injury by the Act or Acts of any unlawful, riotous, or tumultuous Assembly in Scotland, or of any Person engaged in or making Part thereof, authorized to be brought by an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, where the Sum concluded for does not exceed Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, as also all Actions for Recovery of Assessments by virtue of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of his said Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act for the Preservation of the Salmon Fisheries in Scotland, may be heard and determined in the summary Way provided by this Act, and this notwithstanding the Amount of such Assessments shall exceed Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling.

XXIII. ' And whereas by an Act passed in the Twentieth · Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, for 6 taking away and abolishing the Heritable Jurisdictions in Scot-' land, it is provided that Sheriffs may hold Itinerant Courts at ' such Times and Places within their respective Jurisdictions as ' they shall judge expedient, or as shall be directed or ordered ' by His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors; and by the said ' recited Act of the Tenth Year of the Reign of His Majesty ' King George the Fourth Provision is made for the necessary 6 Accommodation for holding Courts for the Purposes of the said Act which the Sheriff should judge it expedient to hold at other than the usual Places for holding the same: And whereas it is expedient to make better Provision for holding ' Itinerant or Circuit Courts for the Purposes of this Act;' be it enacted, That the several Sheriffs of the several Sheriffdoms in Scotland shall, in addition to their ordinary Small Debt Courts, by themselves or their Substitutes, hold Circuit Courts for the Purposes of this Act at such of the Places within each Sheriffdom set forth in the Schedule (H.) annexed to this Act, and for such Number of Times within each Place in each Year, not exceeding the Number of Times mentioned in the said Schedule (H.), as shall be directed by Warrant under Her Majesty's Sign Manual, and to be published in the London Gazette, at such Times as they shall deem best and most convenient to fix for the general Business of the County, if there shall be any Cause at such Places at such Times to try, but as nearly as may ·

One Witness sufficient.

Actions for Damages by Riot under 3 G. 4. c. 33. and for Recovery of Assessments authorized by 9 G. 4. c. 39. may be determined by this Act.

Sheriffs to hold Circuit Courts for Small Debt Causes.

may be at equal Intervals between each Court, except as hereinafter provided, and shall remain at each such Place until the Causes ready to be heard shall be disposed of; and each Sheriff Clerk, or a Depute appointed by him, is hereby required to attend at such Places and Times within his Sheriffdom, and to find the necessary Accommodation for holding all such Courts, on his own Charges and Expences in respect of the Fees allowed by this Act: Provided always, that no Sheriff Clerk shall acquire a vested Right to any increased Amount of Fees or Emoluments to be drawn under this Act, or shall be entitled to Compensation in consequence of being deprived of such increased Amount of Fees or Emoluments or of any future Regulation thereof by any Act to be hereafter passed.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That the several Sheriffs of the Sheriff empowseveral Sheriffdoms, with the Consent and Approbation of One ered to change Places and of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, may from Time Times. to Time change the Places or Number of Times at which such Circuit Courts shall be directed to be held as aforesaid, or discontinue the same or any of them in any Sheriffdom in which such Circuit Courts or any of them may be found unnecessary or inexpedient, or direct any Two of such Courts held in Islands or other Places where it may be deemed expedient to be held at short Intervals from each other, or direct Circuit Courts to be held at such Places in any Sheriffdom although not mentioned in the said Schedule (H.), or in such additional Places in Counties mentioned in the said Schedule, as may seem necessary and proper; and all such additional Circuit Courts shall be held in Terms of the Provisions and Directions of this Act.

XXV. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff Clerk of each Sheriff Clerks Sheriffdom shall attend personally or appoint a Depute to act to appoint at each of the Places at which Courts may be directed to be to give Notices. held in Terms of this Act, and such Depute shall in the Absence of the Principal Clerk attend at and during the holding of such Circuit Courts, and shall thereat perform all the Duties by this Act required to be performed by the Sheriff Clerk; and if such Depute shall not be resident in such Place the Sheriff Clerk may also appoint a proper Person resident in such Place or in its immediate Vicinity to issue the Summonses or Complaints which may be applied for and issued under the Provisions of this Act, and the Principal Clerk shall give or cause to be given due Intimation of the Name, Description, and Residence of each Person so appointed Depute Clerk, and of the Person appointed to issue Summonses and Complaints as aforesaid, by Notice in the Form set forth in Schedule (I.) hereunto annexed, and which Notice, being signed by the Sheriff Clerk, shall, without being stamped, be a sufficient Commission to such Sheriff Clerk Depute, and such Notice or a Copy thereof shall be affixed on or near the Doors of the Church of the Parish within which such Court is to be held, and also if he shall see Cause, by Advertisement in the Newspaper or Newspapers of the greatest reputed Circulation in the Neighbour-

Neighbourhood, and Notice shall in like Manner be given by the Sheriff Clerk, in the Form of Schedule (K.) hereunto annexed, of the Times at which such Circuit Courts shall be fixed to be held: Provided always, that no Person who shall act as Depute Clerk for the Purposes of this Act, and for no other Purposes, shall be thereby disqualified from acting as a Procurator before any Court, except the Small Debt Court in which he shall act as aforesaid, or from being registered or from voting under any Act or Acts of Parliament relative to the Election of Members of Parliament or of Magistrates of Burghs.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That each Sheriff shall, Three Months before holding any Circuit Court in Terms of this Act, by a Minute entered in the Sederunt Book of his Court and published in such Manner as he may think proper, and of which a printed Copy shall be publicly affixed at all Times on the Walls of every Sheriff Court Room within his Sheriffdom, apportion the Parishes or Parts of Parishes which shall for the Purposes of this Act be within the Jurisdiction of any Small Debt Court to be held within his Sheriffdom as aforesaid, and thereafter from Time to Time alter such Apportionment as the Circumstances may require, and such Alteration shall be published as aforesaid for at least Three Months before the same shall take effect, and all Causes shall be brought before the Ordinary Small Debt Court or any Circuit Small Debt Court within the Jurisdiction of which the Defender shall reside or to the Jurisdiction of which he shall be amenable: Provided always, that if there shall be more Defenders than One in One Cause of Action who shall be amenable to the Jurisdiction of different Courts, or if from any other Cause the Sheriff shall be satisfied that such Course shall be expedient for the Ends of Justice, it shall be competent to the Sheriff, upon summary Application in Writing made by or for any Pursuer lodged with the Sheriff Clerk, or upon verbal Application made by or for any Pursuer in open Court, to order a Summons or Complaint to be issued, and the Cause to be brought before his Ordinary Small Debt Court or before any of his Circuit Small Debts, as shall appear most convenient; and such Summons or Complaint shall be issued accordingly on the Sheriff writing and subscribing thereon the Name of the Court before which the same is to be heard.

Sheriff may adjourn Causes to any of his other Small Debt Courts. XXVII. And be it enacted, That the Sheriff may, where the Ends of Justice and the Convenience of the Parties require it, adjourn and remove the further Hearing of or Procedure in any Sequestration, Multiplepoinding, or any other Cause from his Ordinary Small Debt Court to any of his Circuit Small Debt Courts, and from any of his Circuit Small Debt Courts to his Ordinary or any other Circuit Small Debt Court, or to any Diet of his Ordinary Court, to be there dealt with according to the Provisions of this Act, or to any other Time or Place specially appointed for the Purpose; and such Order of Adjournment and Removal shall be held due Notice to the Parties of

Actions to be brought in the Place of Defender's Domicile. of such Adjournment and Removal being made, unless further Notice shall be ordered.

XXVIII. 'And whereas in the Upper District of Morayshire Sheriffof Moray ' which borders on the River Spey there is no Place in which may hold Courts · Circuit Courts can be conveniently held, but such Court could ' be conveniently held in the Village of Grantown, situated in ' a detached Part of the County of Inverness, in the immediate ' Vicinity of the said District of Morayshire;' be it therefore enacted, That in case it shall be directed by One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State that a Circuit Court should be established in Terms of this Act for the Upper District of Morayshire, it shall be competent to the Sheriff of Morayshire or his Substitutes to grant Warrants and to hold Courts for the Trial of all Causes competent under this Act, and to pronounce Judgment therein, within the said Village of Grantown, in the same Way and to the same Effect in all respects as if such Courts were held and Warrants were granted and Judgments pronounced within the said County of Moray; and it shall also be competent to the Sheriff Clerk and Officers of Morayshire to issue Summonses and perform other Duties authorized by this Act within the Village of Grantown in like Manner as within the County of Moray.

XXIX. And be it enacted, That an Account of the travelling Sheriff and and other Charges incurred by the Sheriff and Sheriff Clerks in going to, living at, and returning from the Places where such Circuit Courts, Circuit Courts shall be held as aforesaid shall be rendered annually in Exchequer with the other Charges of the Sheriffs, and such Accounts being there audited shall be allowed to an Amount for the Sheriff not exceeding Five Pounds, and for the Sheriff Clerk not exceeding One Pound Ten Shillings for each Court, and paid out of the public Revenue of Scotland as the Charges of the Sheriffs are in use to be paid.

XXX. And be it enacted, That no Decree given by any Decree not sub-Sheriff in any Cause or Prosecution decided under the Authority ject to Review, of this Act shall be subject to Reduction, Advocation, Suspension, by provided. or Appeal, or any other Form of Review or Stay of Execution, other than provided by this Act, either on account of any Omission or Irregularity or Informality in the Citation or Proceedings, or on the Merits, or on any Ground or Reason whatever.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That it shall be competent to Form of Reany Person conceiving himself aggrieved by any Decree given view provided. by any Sheriff in any Cause or Prosecution raised under the Authority of this Act to bring the Case by Appeal before the next Circuit Court of Justiciary, or, where there are no Circuit Courts, before the High Court of Justiciary at Edinburgh, in the Manner, and by and under the Rules, Limitations, Conditions, and Restrictions contained in the before-recited Act passed in the Twentieth'Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, for taking away and abolishing the Heritable Jurisdictions in Scotland, except in so far as altered by this Act: Provided always, that such Appeal shall be competent only when founded on the Ground of Corruption or Malice and Oppression

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sion on the Part of the Sheriff, or on such Deviations in point of Form from the statutory Enactments as the Court shall think took place wilfully, or have prevented substantial Justice from having been done, or on Incompetency, including Defect of Jurisdiction of the Sheriff; provided also, that such Appeals shall be heard and determined in open Court, and that it shall be competent to the Court to correct such Deviation in point of Form, or to remit the Cause to the Sheriff with Instructions or for re-hearing generally, and it shall not be competent to produce or found upon any Document as Evidence on the Merits of the original Cause which was not produced to the Sheriff when the Case is heard, and to which his Signature or Initials have not been then affixed, which he is only to do if required, nor to found upon nor refer to the Testimony of any Witness not examined before the Sheriff, and whose Name is not written by him when the Case is heard upon the Record Copy of the Summons, which he is to do when specially required to that Effect: Provided further, that no Sist or Stay of the Process and Decree and no Certificate of Appeal shall be issued by the Sheriff Clerk, except upon Consignation of the whole Sum, if any, decerned for by the Decree and Expences, if any, and Security found for the whole Expences which may be incurred and found due under the Appeal.

Fees to be taken. XXXII. And be it enacted, That the following and no other or higher Fees or Dues of Consignation shall be allowed to be taken for any Matters done in any Cause or Prosecution raised under the Authority of this Act:

Clerk's Fees in Causes under this Act.

Summons, including Precept of Arrestment, One Shilling:

Each Copy for Service, Sixpence:

Entering in Procedure Book, Sixpence:

Renewed Warrant to arrest on Dependence, and entering in Book, One Shilling:

Certificate loosing Arrestment, One Shilling:

Bond of Caution, One Shilling and Sixpence:

Second Diligence for compelling Witnesses or Havers to attend, One Shilling:

Decree, including Extract, if demanded, One Shilling:

Hearing after Decree in Absence, One Shilling and Sixpence:

Indorsation of Decree or Warrant, and entering in Book, One Shilling:

Receiving Report of Sequestration and Appraisement, and entering in Book, One Shilling:

Receiving Report of Sale under Sequestration, and entering, One Shilling :

Receiving Report of Poinding and Sale, and entering, One Shilling and Sixpence :

Officer's Fees, including Assistants.

Citation of a Party or Intimation of counter Claim, and Execution of Citation given personally, One Shilling:

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Citation of a Witness or Haver, Sixpence:

Charging on Decree, and returning Execution of Charge, One Shilling:

Arrestment, and returning Execution thereof, Sixpence:

Intimation of loosing Arrestment, and Execution thereof, Sixpence:

Poinding or Sequestration and Inventory, Two Shillings and Sixpence:

Sale and Report, Two Shillings and Sixpence:

Officers Travelling Expences, for each complete Mile from the Cross or Tron or other usual Place of Measurement in the Town or Place where the Court is held, where there is any such, or if there be none such, then from the Court House of such Town or Place to the Place of Execution or Service, the Distance travelled in returning after Execution of the Duty not to be reckoned, Sixpence:

Assistants, each per Mile, in the same Manner, Four-pence.

Crier's Fee.

For calling each Cause, One Penny, payable when Summons is issued.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That an exact Copy of the Table of Fees immediately preceding Section of this Act shall be printed on to be printed each Summons or Complaint, and on each Service Copy thereof, and shall also be at all Times hung up in every Sheriff Clerk's Office and in every Sheriff Court Place during the holding of any Sheriff's Small Debt Court; and any Sheriff Clerk from whose Office any Summons or Service Copy thereof shall be issued not having such Copy of the said Section printed thereon, or at any Time omitting to have such Copy hung up in his Office or in the Sheriff Court Place as aforesaid, or not causing the Roll of Causes each Court Day to be publicly exhibited, or not causing the Number and Names of the Parties in such Roll to be called in their Order as aforesaid, except with Leave of the Sheriff upon Cause shown in open Court, shall be liable in a Penalty not exceeding Forty Shillings, to be recovered at the Instance of any Person who shall prosecute for the same, and to be disposed of as the Sheriff shall direct.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That in all or any of the Officers neglect-Cases above mentioned, where any Decree or Warrant shall ing Duty to be have been indorsed as aforesaid, the Sheriff's Officer of the County where such Decree or Warrant has been originally issued, as well as of any County wherein the same is indorsed, are hereby authorized and required to obey and enforce such Decree or Warrant within such other County; and any Sheriff's Officer failing to report any Sequestration or Poinding and Sale as above directed, or violating or neglecting any other Duty intrusted to him under this Act, or wilfully acting contrary to any Provision thereof, shall be liable in a Penalty not exceeding Forty Shillings, to be recovered at the Instance of any Person aggrieved thereby, and to be disposed of as the Sheriff

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Sheriff shall direct, reserving always all further Claim of Damages otherwise competent against any such Officer, and without Prejudice to the Sheriff's lawful Authority to remove and punish all Officers of his Court for Misbehaviour or Malversation in Office.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That no Person whatsoever shall be exempt from the Jurisdiction of the Sheriff in any Cause or Prosecution raised under the Authority of this Act on account of Privilege, as being a Member of the College of Justice, or otherwise.

XXXVI. And be it enacted, That in all Causes and Prosecutions wherein the Debt, Demand, or Penalty shall not exceed the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eightpence Sterling, exclusive of Expences and Fees of Extract, which shall in future be brought or carried on before any Court not according to the summary Form herein provided, it shall be lawful for the Judge in such Court notwithstanding to allow no other or higher Fees or Expences to be taken or paid than those above mentioned.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in this Act or in the Schedules hereto annexed the Word "Sheriff" shall be held to include Sheriff Depute and Steward Depute, and Sheriff Substitute and Steward Substitute; the Words "Sheriff Substitute" to include Steward Substitute; the Words "Sheriff Court" to include and apply to the Court of the Sheriff or Steward or their Substitutes; the Words "Sheriff Clerk" to include Steward Clerk and Depute Sheriff Clerk and Depute Steward Clerk; the Word "Shire" or "County" to include Stewartry; the Word "Sheriffdom" to include and be included in the Words Shire, County, or Stewartry; the Word "Person" to extend to a Partnership, Body Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, as well as an Individual; the Word " Landlord " to include any Person having a Right to exact Rent, whether as Owner, Life-renter, Heritable Creditor in Possession, principal Tenant, or otherwise; and every Word importing the Singular Number only shall extend and be applied to several Persons or Things as well as one Person or Thing; and every Word importing the Plural Number shall extend and be applied to one Person or Thing as well as several Persons or Things; and every Word importing the Masculine Gender only shall extend and be applied to a Female as well as a Male: Provided always, that those Words and Expressions occurring in this Clause to which more than One Meaning is attached shall not have the different Meanings given to them by this Clause in those Cases in which there is any thing in the Subject or Context repugnant to such Construction.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed, altered, or amended by any Act or Acts to be passed during the present Session of Parliament.

Privileged Persons not exempt. Cap. 41.

Courts may limit Fees in Causes not exceeding 81. 6s. 8d.

Meaning of Words in this Act.

Act may be repealed, &c.

SCHEDULES to which the foregoing Act refers.

SCHEDULE (A.)

No. 1.

Summons or Complaint in a Civil Cause.

A.B., Sheriff of the Shire of

Officers of Court, jointly and severally. WHEREAS it is humbly complained to me by C.D. [design him], that E.F. [design him], Defender, is owing the Complainer the Sum of [here insert the Origin of Debt or Ground of Action, and whenever possible the Date of the Cause of Action or last Date in the Account], which the said Defender refuses or delays to pay; and therefore the said Defender ought to be decerned and ordained to make Payment to the Complainer, with Expences: Herefore it is my Will, that on Sight hereof ye lawfully summon the said Defender to compear before me or my Substitute in the Court House at upon the Day of of the Clock, to at answer at the Complainer's Instance in the said Matter, with Certification, in case of Failure, of being held as confessed; requiring you also to deliver to the Defender a Copy of any Account pursued for, and that ye cite Witnesses and Havers for both Parties to compear at the said Place and Date, to give Evidence in the said Matter; and in the meantime that ye arrest in security the Goods, Effects, Debts, and Sums of Money belonging to the Defender as accords of Law. Given under the the Hand of the Clerk of Court at Day of

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

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No. 2.

Citation for Defender.

E.F., Defender, above designed, you are hereby summoned to appear and answer before the Sheriff in the Matter, and at the Time and Place, and under the Certification set forth in the above Copy of the Summons or Complaint against you.

This Notice, served upon the Day of by me,

J. T. Sheriff's Officer.

No. 3.

Execution of Citation of Defender.

UPON the Day of One thousand eight hundred and I duly summoned the above-designed *E. F.*, Defender, to appear and answer before the Sheriff in the Matter, and at the Time and Place, and under the Certification above set forth. This I did by leaving a full Copy of the above Summons

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Summons or Complaint, with a Citation thereto annexed[•], for the said Defender [in his Hands personally, or otherwise, as the Case may be].

J.T. Sheriff's Officer.

• If there is an Account mentioned in the Complaint the Officer must serve a Copy of it along with a Copy of the Summons or Complaint.

No. 4.

Execution of Notice of counter Claim by Defender against Pursuer.

UPON the Day of I gave Notice to C.D., Pursuer, of the above counter Account [or Claim] intended to be pleaded against him by E.F., Defender in the Small Debt Action to which the said Defender was summoned to appear before the Sheriff at upon the Day of at of the Clock. This I did by leaving a Copy of the above Account [or Notice of Claim, shortly explaining it,] for the said Pursuer [in his Hands personally, or otherwise, as the Case may be].

J.T. Sheriff Officer.

No. 5.

Citation for Witnesses.

M.N. [design him], you are hereby summoned to appear before the Sheriff of the Shire of or his Substitute, in the Court House at upon the Day of One thousand eight hundred and at

of the Clock, to bear Witness for the [Pursuer or Defender, as the Case may be,] in the Summons or Complaint at the Instance of C.D. [design him] against E.F. [design him], and that under the Penalty of Forty Shillings if you fail to attend.

This Notice served on the Day of by me, J.T. Sheriff Officer.

No. 6.

Execution of Citation of Witnesses.

UPON the Day of One thousand eight hundred and I duly summoned M. N., &c. [design them], to appear before the Sheriff of the Shire of or his Substitute, in the Court House at upon the Day of One thousand eight hundred and at of the Clock, to bear Witness for the in the Summons or Complaint at the Instance of C. D. [design

him] against E.F. [design him]. This I did by delivering a just Copy of Citation, signed by me, to the said M.N. [personally, or otherwise, as the Case may be].

J.T. Sheriff Officer.

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No. 7.

Decree for Pursuer in a Civil Cause.

Ат the Day of One thousand eight the Sheriff of the Shire of hundred and finds the within-designed Defender, liable to the Pursuer in the Sum of with of Expences, and decerns and ordains instant Execution by Arrestment, and also Execution to pass hereon by Poinding and Sale and Imprisonment, if the same be competent, after free Days. J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

No. 8.

Summons of Complaint for Statutory Penalty.

A.B. Sheriff of the Shire of

Officers of Court, jointly and severally.

WHEREAS it is humbly complained to me by C. D., Procurator Fiscal of Court, [or, where a private Party only,] G.H. [Designation], [or, where a private Party prosecutes with the Concurrence of the Procurator Fiscal,] G.H., with Concurrence of C.D. Procurator Fiscal of Court, that E.F. [Designation], Defender, has incurred the Penalty of imposed by the Act of Parthe said Defender having liament [mention the Act], [state the Offence, specifying Time and Place]; therefore the said Defender ought to be decerned and ordained to make Payment of the said Penalty, with Expences [state to whom and in what Proportions payable, and the Term of Imprisonment where the same is the Mode of Recovery]: Herefore it is my Will, that on Sight hereof ye lawfully summon the said Defender to compear before me or my Substitute in the Court House at Day of of the Clock, upon the at to answer at the Complainer's Instance in the said Matter, with Certification, in case of Failure, of being held as confessed; and that ye cite Witnesses and Havers for both Parties to compear at the same Place and Date to give Evidence in the said Matter. Given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at the Day of

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

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Concurs C.D., Procurator Fiscal. [For Citation for Defender and Execution thereof, and Citation for Witnesses and Execution thereof, see Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 5 respectively.]

No. 9.

Decree for Prosecutor in Prosecution for Penalty.

Ат Day of the One thousand eight hundred and the Sheriff of the Shire finds that the within-designed E.F., Defender, of has incurred the Penalty of as libelled, [if there is a Power to mitigate, payable to and Mitigation, add, "which is hereby mitigated to the Sum U [No.20. Price 2d.] of Cap. 41.

and Sale after

of "], and also finds the said Defender liable in of Expences to the Complainer, and decerns and ordains instant Execution by Arrestment, and also Execution by Poinding and Sale and Imprisonment, if the same be competent [stating the Term of Imprisonment, where it is fixed], after free Days.

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

No. 10.

Decree of Absolvitor, with Expences.

[The following will answer either for Civil Causes or Prosecutions for Penalties]

AT the Day of One thousand eight hundred and the Sheriff of the Shire of assoilzies the within-designed *E.F.*, Defender, from the within Complaint, and finds the withindesigned *C.D.*, Pursuer, liable to him in the Sum of of Expences, and decerns and ordains instant Execution by Arrestment, and also Execution to pass hereon by Poinding

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

* Where the Pursuer does not return the original Summons the above Decree may be written on the Copy served on the Defender.

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No. 11.

Charge on Decree.

E.F., above designed, you are hereby charged to implement the Decree of which, and of the Complaint whereon the same proceeded, the above is a Copy, within Days from this Date, under pain of Poinding and Sale without further Notice. This Charge given by me, on the Day of before O.P. [design him].

J. T. Sheriff Officer.

No. 12,

Execution of Charge.

[To be on the same Paper with the Complaint and Decree.]

ON the Day of One thousand eight hundred and I duly charged E.F., above designed, to implement the above Decree within the Time and under the Pains therein expressed. This I did by delivering a just Copy of the foregoing Complaint and Decree, and a Charge thereto annexed subscribed by me, to the said E.F. [personally, or as the Case may be,] before O.P. [design him], Witness hereto, with me subscribing.

O.P. Witness.

J. T. Sheriff Officer.

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SCHEDULE (B.)

Summons of Sequestration and Sale at the Instance of a Landlord.

A.B. Sheriff of the Shire of

Court, jointly and severally.

WHEREAS it is humbly complained to me by C.D., Pursuer, [design him,] that E.F., Defender, [design him,] is owing to the Pursuer the Sum of , being the Rent for [describe the Premises], possessed by him, from to

[if any partial Payments have been made let them be here stated], and which Rent [or Balance of Rent, as the Case may be,] the said Defender refuses or delays to pay; therefore Warrant ought forthwith to be granted to inventory, appraise, sequestrate, and, if Need be, secure the Goods and Effects upon or within the said Premises, and Decree ought to be pronounced decerning the Defender to make Payment of the said Rent [or Balance of Rent, as the Case may be,] to the Pursuer, with Expences, and Warrant ought also to be granted to sell the Goods and Effects sequestrated in Payment of the said Rent [or Balance of Rent, as the Case may be,] and Expences: Herefore it is my Will, that on Sight hereof ye lawfully summon the said Defender to compear before me or my Substitute, within the Court House of upon the

Day of of the at. Clock, to answer at the Pursuer's Instance in the said Matter, with Certification, in case of Failure, of being held as confessed, and Decree and Warrant pronounced as craved: And my Will further is, that ye forthwith inventory, sequestrate, and, if Need be, secure the Goods and Effects upon or within the said Premises until the further Orders of Court, or until the said Defender shall make Payment to the Pursuer of the Amount of the Rents pursued for, with the Expences, or shall consign in the Hands of the Clerk of Court the Amount of the Rents pursued for, with Two Pounds Sterling to cover Expences; and that ye cite Witnesses and Havers for both Parties to compear at the said Place and Date, to give Evidence in the said Matter. Given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at the Day of

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

[After hearing the Cause the Decree and Procedure in the Sequestration and Sale will be similar to the Forms in ordinary Causes, the Words "Sequestration" and "sequestrated" being introduced when necessary instead of "Poinding" and "poinded".]

SCHEDULE (C.)

Arrestment on the Dependence of an Action.

By virtue of a Warrant of the Sheriff of the Shire of given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at on the Day of for Arrestment on the Dependence U 2 of

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of an Action raised before the said Sheriff at the Instance of C.D. [design him], Complainer, against E.F. [design him], Defender, I hereby fence and arrest in the Hands of you K.L. [design him], all Sums of Money owing by you to the said Defender or to any other Person for his Use and Behoof, and all Goods and Effects in your Custody belonging to the said Defender [or, in the Case of Ships or maritime Subjects, say, I hereby fence and arrest the Ship M. of N. presently lying in the Harbour of O., with her Boats, Furniture, and Apparelling, or other maritime Subjects], and that to an Amount or Extent not exceeding the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, all to remain under sure Fence and Arrestment, at the Complainer's Instance, until due Consignation be made or until sufficient Caution be found as accords of Law. This I do on the Day of before O.P. [design him], by Delivery of a Copy of this Execution to you [personally, or as the Case may be].

J.T. Sheriff Officer.

Execution of Arrestment on the Dependence of an Action.

[To be on the same Paper with the Summons or other Warrant of Arrestment.]

UPON the Day of One thousand eight , betwixt the Hours of hundred and and by virtue of the foregoing Warrant of Arrestment, I lawfully fenced and arrested in the Hands of K.L. [design him] all Sums of Money owing by him to the foresaid E.F., Defender, or to any other Person for his Use and Behoof, and all Goods and Effects in the Custody of the said Arrestee belonging to the said Defender, [or, in case of Ships or maritime Subjects, as before,] and that to an Amount or Extent not exceeding the Value of Eight Pounds Six Shillings and Eight-pence Sterling, all to remain under sure Fence and Arrestment, at the foresaid Complainer's Instance, until due Consignation be made or until sufficient Caution be found as accords of Law. This I did by delivering a just Copy of Arrestment, subscribed by me, to the said Arrestee personally [or as the Case may be], before O.P. [design him], hereto with me subscribing.

O.P. Witness. J.T. Sheriff Officer.

Bond or Enactment of Caution for loosing Arrestment.

Ат Day of One on compeared G.H. [design thousand eight hundred and him], who hereby judicially binds himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Successors, as Cautioners acted in the Sheriff Court Books of the Shire of for E.F. [design him], common Debtor, against whom Arrestment was used at the Instance of C.D. [design him], in the Hands of K.L. [design him], on the in virtue of [describe the Warrant], Day of Day of , that the Sums of Money, dated the Goods, and Effects owing or belonging to the said common Debtor,

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Debtor, arrested as aforesaid, shall be made forthcoming 'as accords of Law.

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Certificate for loosing Arrestment used on the Dependence of an Action.

WHEREAS Arrestment was used on the Dependence of an Action at the Instance of C.D. [design him], against E.F. [design him], in the Hands of K.L. [design him, or as the Case may be], on the Day of , by virtue of a Warrant of the Sheriff of the Shire of given under the Hand the Day of of the Clerk of Court at : And whereas the said E.F. has now made sufficient Consignation in the Hands of the Sheriff Clerk of [or, if Caution has been found, say] has found sufficient Caution acted in the Sheriff Court Books of by G.H. [design him], his Cautioner, [here state the Nature of the Caution,]

in order to the loosing of the said Arrestment, Warrant for loosing the said Arrestment is hereby granted accordingly. Given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at the Day of

J.P. Sheriff Clerk.

Intimation of loosing Arrestment.

[To be on the same Paper with a Copy of the foregoing Warrant.]

K.L. [design him], take notice, That by virtue of the Warrant whereof the above is a Copy the Arrestment on the Dependence of the Action above mentioned, used in your Hands at the Instance of the foresaid C.D. against the foresaid E.F., is loosed and taken off. This Notice served on the Day of by me,

J.T. Sheriff Officer.

Execution of Intimation of loosing Arrestment.

[To be on the same Paper with the original Warrant for loosing the Arrestment.]

UPON the Day of One thousand eight hundred and I duly intimated the above Warrant to K.L. [design him], Arrestee. This I did by leaving a full Copy thereof and Intimation thereon, subscribed by me, for him [in his Hands personally, or as the Case may be].

J.T. Sheriff Officer.

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SCHEDULE (D.)

Summons of Complaint in Cases of Forthcoming.

A.B. Sheriff of the Shire of

Officers of Court, jointly and severally.

WHEREAS it is humbly complained to me by C.D. [Designation]. upon and against K.L. [Designation], Arrestee, and E.F. [Designation], common Debtor, that the said common Debtor is owing U 3 the

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the Complainer the Sum of contained in [describe shortly the Decreet, or Bill, or Bond, et cætera, by which the Debt is constituted], and that the Complainer on the Day of Years, in virtue of a Warrant by

dated the Day of , arrested in the Hands of the Arrestee [here insert the Terms of the Arrestment used], which ought to be made forthcoming to the Complainer : Therefore the said Arrestee, and the said common Debtor for his Interest, ought to be decerned and ordained to make forthcoming, pay, and deliver to the Complainer the Money, Goods, and Effects arrested as aforesaid, or so much thereof as will satisfy and pay the said Sum of owing to the Complainer as aforesaid : Herefore it is my Will, that on Sight hereof ye lawfully summon the said Arrestee, and the said common Debtor for his Interest, to compear before me or my Substitute in the Court House at upon the Day of Years, at of the Clock, to answer at the Complainer's Instance in the said

Clock, to answer at the Complainer's Instance in the said Matter, with Certification in case of Failure of being held as confessed; and that ye cite Witnesses and Havers for both Parties to compear at the said Place and Date to give Evidence in the said Matter. Given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at the Day of Years.

J. P. Sheriff Clerk.

[The Citations and Executions, and Decree for the Defender, with Expences, may be the same as in Schedule (A.)]

Decree for the Pursuer in Cases of Forthcoming.

AT the Day of One thousand eight hundred and the Sheriff for the Shire of decerns and ordains the within-designed

Arrestee, to make forthcoming, pay, and deliver to the also within-designed Pursuer [if the Arrestee has Money arrested in his Hands the rest of the Judgment will be the same as in ordinary Cases; if there are Goods and Effects to be made forthcoming the rest of the Judgment will be as follows:] the arrested Goods and Effects following; videlicet,

and grants Warrant to sell the same, or as much thereof as will satisfy the Sum of and of Expences of Process and the Expence of Sale; and failing the said Arrestee making, forthcoming, and delivering the said Goods and Effects within , then to make Payment to the said Pursuer of the said Sum of , for Recovery of which Sums, the said Period being elapsed without forthcoming and Delivery of the said Goods and Effects, ordains instant Execution by Arrestment, and also Execution to pass hereon by Poinding and Sale and Imprisonment, if the same be competent, after free Days.

J. P. Sheriff Clerk.

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Summons of Multiplepoinding.

A.B. Sheriff of the Shire of of Court, jointly and severally. Officers

WHEREAS it is humbly shown to me by A.B., Pursuer, [design him,] that he is Holder of [here state the Fund or Subject in medio, and if necessary refer to the Account thereof produced belonging to E.F., common Debtor, [design him,] which Fund the Pursuer is ready to pay [or deliver] to the said common Debtor, or to whomsoever shall be found to have best Right thereto, but he is distressed by Claims being made thereon by the Persons following, videlicet, [here state the Names and Designations of all the Claimants, so far as known to the Holder or Raiser of the Action]; wherefore the said Pursuer ought to be found liable only in once and single Payment [or Delivery] of the said Fund or Subject to whomsoever of the said Parties or others interested shall be found by me to have best Right thereto [or in the meantime Consignation ought to be ordered of the Fund or Subject or Sale of the Subject in medio], deducting the Pursuer's Expences, and Decree ought to be pronounced accordingly, and all other Parties ought to be prohibited from molesting the Pursuer thereanent in all Time coming: Herefore it is my Will, that on Sight hereof ye lawfully summon the said common Debtor and the said Claimants [and in case of the, Action being raised by a Claimant in Name of the Holder, it will be necessary also to summon the nominal Pursuer,] to compear before me or my Substitute in the Court House of

upon the Day of at of the Clock, to attend to their several Interests in the said Matter, with Certification in case of Failure of being held as confessed; requiring you also to deliver to the said common Debtor a Copy of any Account produced with the Summons, and that he cite Witnesses and Havers for all Parties to compear at the said Place and Date to give Evidence in the said Matter. Given under the Hand of the Clerk of the Court at the

Day of

J. P. Sheriff Clerk.

Form of Claim in Multiplepoinding.

I A.B. [design him] hereby claim to be preferred on the Fund in the Multiplepoinding raised in Name of [mention the Raiser], against [mention the Defenders], for [state the Claim] of Principal due to me by [here state generally the Ground of Debt, whether by Bond, Bill, Account, &c., as the Case may be], with Interest from with Expences. A.B.

Form of Interlocutor of Preference.

PREFERS [here design him], Claimant for [here specify the Sum]. [To be signed by the Sheriff.]

[The Citations and Procedure to be as nearly as may be in the Forms in other Causes, and Warrant to sell the Subjects forming the Fund in medio to be granted and carried into effect in the ordinary Form.]

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No.	Dates of Complaints.	Pursuers.	Defenders.	Nature and Amount.	How cited.	By what Officer.	Leave and Cause of Procurator's Appearance.	Interlocutors and Decrees.
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SCHEDULE (F.)

N.B.-After the Name of each Pursuer and Defender let the Letter P. or A. be added, in order to mark whether the Party was present or absent when the Cause was called; and should the Party appear by or with any other Person or Procurator his or her Name shall be marked as so appearing. Let the Expences be also entered under the Head of "Interlocutors."

Report of Sequestration or Poinding and Sale.

[To be varied according to Circumstances.]

REPORT of the Sequestration or Poinding and Sale at the Instance of C.D. [design him] against E.F. [design him.]

Lots.	EFFECTS.	Appraised at	Sold at		
1.	An Eight-Day Clock -	-	£ s. d. 4 0 0	£ s. d. 4 10 0	
2.	Six Chairs, at 6s	-	1 16 0	1 18 0	
3.	One Table	-	080	080	
4.	One Chest of Drawers -	-	1 12 0	1 12 0	
	·	£	7 16 0	880	

Day of Upon the One thousand eight hundred and between the Hours of and by virtue of a Decree of the Sheriff of given under the Hand of the Clerk of Court at Day of at the Instance of C.D., on the above designed, against E.F., above designed, for Payment of the Sums of I passed with the Witnesses and Appraisers after named and designed to and then and there, after demanding Payment of the Sums contained in the said Decree past due, and Payment not being made, I poinded the Effects above enumerated belonging to the said

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said Debtor, and after making an Inventory or List thereof, and getting the same duly appraised on Oath at the several Values respectively above specified in the First Column, and amounting in all to [here insert the Amount in Words], and leaving a Copy of such Inventory or List and Appraisement with the said Debtor personally [or as the Case may be], I

carried the said Effects to the of [or as the Case may be], and there betwixt the Hours of

and and after public Notice of at least Hours, I sold the said Effects by public Roup to the highest Bidder, at the Prices above specified in the Second Column for each Lot respectively^{*}, and amounting in all to [here insert the Amount in Words]; these Things were so done before and with O.P. and Q.R. [design them], Witnesses and Appraisers, in the Premises hereto with me subscribing.

O.P. Witness and Appraiser. J.T. Sheriff Officer. Q.R. Witness and Appraiser.

Reported to the Sheriff Clerk of the Shire of the Day of by me, J.T. Sheriff Officer.

" Debtor the Effects specified in the other Lots above enumerated."]

Counties.	Places at which Circuits are to	be held.
Aberdeen {	Inverury Tarland Turriff Peterhead Huntly Old Deer	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Six Times. Four Times. Four Times.
Argyle{	Oban Bowmore, Island of Isley Dunoon Lochgilphead	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Four Times.

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Counties.	Places at which Circuits are to	be held.
Ayr -	Saltcoats Largs Kilmarnock Beith Old Cumnock - Girvan Maybole	Four Times. Three Times. Twelve Times. Three Times. Three Times. Four Times.
Berwick	Lauder Dunse Coldstream Ayton	Three Times. Six Times. Six Times. Three Times.
Banff -	Cullen - - Keith - - Dufftown - -	Three Times. Six Times. Three Times.
Bute -	Brodick in Arran - Milport	Four Times. Four Times.
Caithness, -	{ Thurso Libster	Eight Times. Six Times.
Dumbarton	Kirkintullock - Helensburgh -	Four Times. Four Times.
Dumfries	Sanquhar Annan Langholm Moffat Lockerbie	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Three Times.
Edinburgh -	Mid Calder - Dalkeith - Musselburgh - Stowe -	Four Times. Six Times. Six Times. Two Times.
Elgin	Fochabers - Grantown - Forres -	Three Times. Three Times. Six Times.
Fife	Auchtermuchty Newburgh St. Andrew's - Colinsburgh - Kirkaldy -	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Six Times.
Forfar	Srechin Montrose Arbroath Kirriemuir	Six Times. Six Times. Six Times. Four Times.
Haddington -	North Berwick - - Dunbar - Tranent - Kinguesia	Three Times. Six Times. Four Times. Three Times.
Inverness -	Kingussie Fort Augustus Grantown	Three Times. Three Times. Three Times.

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Counties.	Places at which Circuits are to	be held.
Kincardine -	Laurence Kirk - Bervie Durris New Galloway	Three Times. Four Times. Three Times. Three Times.
Kirkcudbright -{	Maxwelltown Castle Douglas Creetown	Four Times. Four Times. Three Times.
Lanark{	Biggar Artirie Douglas	Four Times. Twelve Times. Three Times.
Linlithgow{	Bathgate Queensferry	Four Times. Three Times.
Orkney{	St. Margaret's Hope - Stromness Sanday	Three Times. Three Times. Three Times.
Shetland	Burravoe	Two Times.
- Perth	Crieff Callender Kincardine (Tulliallan) Dunkeld Aberfeldy Blair Gowrie Cupar Angus	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Four Times. Three Times. Four Times. Four Times.
Renfrew	Lochwinnock Pollokshaws	Six Times. Six Times.
Ross and Cromarty	Kincardine Jeantown Fortrose Invergordon	Two Times. Two Times. Four Times. Four Times.
Roxburgh<	Melrose Hawick Kelso Newcastleton -	Four Times. Six Times. Six Times. Three Times.
Selkirk	Galashiels	Four Times. Four Times.
Stirling	Drymen Lennox, Town of Camp- sie} Balfron	Four Times. Four Times. Four Times.
Sutherland	Lavig Tongue Port Gower	Two Times. Two Times. Two Times.
Wigton	Stranraer Whithorn Newton Stewart	Six Times. Four Times. Four Times.

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SCHEDULE (I.)

Notice.

is the

A.B. [add Designation], residing Depute, Sheriff Clerk to whom Application for Summonses and every thing else necessary for the Sheriffs Circuit at this Place for Small Debt Causes must be made [or, in case the Depute shall not be resident, say A.B. [add Designation and Place of Residence], is the Depute Sheriff Clerk, who will officiate at

in the Sheriffs Small Debt Circuit Court, and C.D. [add Designation], residing at is the Person who will issue Summonses or Complaints to be brought in such Court.]

Date

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SCHEDULE (K.)

Notice.

THE Sheriff will hold Circuit Courts for Small Debt Causes at on the Day of

of the Clock, and on every [fix the Time at periodically, or if not, new Notice to be given.

A.B. [add Designation and Residence] is the Clerk for this Place.

Date Place

CAP. XLII.

An Act to continue until the Thirty-first Day of December One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, an Act of the Ninth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, for the Administration of Justice in New South Wales and Van Dieman's Land. [12th July 1837.]

N/HEREAS an Act was passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, inti-' tuled An Act to provide for the Administration of Justice in New South Wales and Van Dieman's Land, and for the more effectual Government thereof; and for other Purposes relating · thereto: And whereas the said Act is near expiring, and it ' is expedient to continue the same:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Act shall be continued until the Thirty-first Day of December One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament.

9 G. 4. c. 83.

Recited Act continued till 31st Dec, 1898. 1837.

CAP. XLIII.

An Act to amend the Laws for the Recovery of Small Debts by Civil Bill in Ireland. [12th July 1837.] WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled ' An Act to regulate the Service of the Process of the several Courts 7 G. 4. c. 36. for the Recovery of Small Debts by Civil Bill in Ireland, it 'was enacted, that at the several Sessions of the Peace in and ' for the several Counties in Ireland which should be holden ' in the Month of October next after the passing of the said Act each and every of the Assistant Barristers appointed under ' the Authority of the Act therein recited, or of any Act for ' amending the same, should in manner, therein enacted nomi-' nate and appoint such Number of fit and proper Persons, ' being Householders residing in the principal Market Towns ' within the said Counties, to be Officers for the Service of ' Civil Bill Processes in the said County or Division thereof, 'as should be specified and set forth in any such Warrant ' respectively: And whereas Officers for the Service of Civil Bill ⁴ Processes have been appointed in the several Counties in Ireland ' under the Authority of the said Act, but the Number thereof ' has in many Counties been found to be insufficient for the ' effective Service of Civil Bill Processes therein, and it has ' been doubted whether any new Appointments can be made ' under the Authority of the said Act of a greater Number of ' such Officers at any Time after the Sessions of the Peace ' holden next after the passing of the said Act:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That at any Sessions of the Peace Powerto Assistin and for the several Counties in *Ireland* or any Riding thereof ant Barristers which shall be holden after the passing of this Act, each and cess Servers in every of the Assistant Barristers appointed under the Acts addition to for the Recovery of Small Debts by Civil Bill in Ireland, or those appointed under any of them, to be Assistants to the Justices at such Sessions, 7 G. 4. c. 36. may and shall, by Warrant or Warrants under the Hand and Seal of each such Assistant Barrister respectively, nominate and appoint such Number of fit and proper Persons, qualified as in the said Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty is mentioned, as to the said Assistant Barrister shall from Time to Time appear to be necessary, to be Officers for the Service of Civil Bill Processes within such County, or within any Riding thereof, or within such Division of such County or Riding as shall be specified in any such Warrant; and such Officers shall be in addition to the Officers already appointed and acting in such County, Riding, or Division under the said recited Act of the Seventh Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, and shall have the same Powers, Privileges, and Emoluments, and observe the several Rules and Regulations

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Regulations prescribed by the said Act respecting the Officers appointed under the Authority thereof, and shall be removeable in like Manner, and their Appointment shall be promulgated and made known in the Manner directed by the said Act.

II. And be it enacted, That in any Case when it shall appear to the Assistant Barrister, by Examination on Oath in open Court at any Court of General or Quarter Sessions or any Adjournment thereof, that any Officer appointed to serve the Process of the said Civil Bill Court has been prevented by forcible Resistance or by reasonable Apprehension of personal Injury from effecting good Service of any Process of the said Court, it shall and may be lawful to and for such Assistant Barrister to direct, by an Order to be signed by him, and entered in the Book of the Clerk of the Peace, that posting a Copy of such Process on the Court House in which the Court may be then sitting, and on the usual Place for posting Notices in the nearest Market Town to the Residence of the Defendant named in such Process, or of One of the Defendants if there be more than One, at least One Calendar Month before the first Day of the next Sessions to be holden for the same Division of the County or Riding, shall be deemed good Service of such Process; and at foot of every such Copy shall be affixed a Notice that the same is so posted by Order of the said Assistant Barrister, and that such posting will be held good Service thereof; and upon its being proved on Oath to the Satisfaction of the Assistant Barrister at the next Sessions holden for the same Division at the first Town in which such Sessions shall be holden that such Copy and Notice have been so duly posted on some conspicuous Part of the said Court House, it shall be lawful for such Assistant Barrister and he is hereby authorized and required to proceed to hear and determine such Civil Bill in all respects as if the Process thereon had been personally served on the Defendant or Defendants named therein.

III. And be it enacted, That so much and such Parts of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to extend the Jurisdiction and regulate the Proceedings of the Civil Bill Courts in Ireland, as relate to the Appointment of Bailiffs for the Execution of the Decrees or Orders of the Civil Bill Court for the County, and as provide for the Payment of any Fee or Poundage to such Bailiff, and as enact that the Sum or Fee of One Shilling payable to Sheriffs for special Warrants shall be no longer payable, and as repeals the Act of the Thirtysixth Year of the Reign of King George the Third therein mentioned, so far as respects the Payment of the said Sum or Fee of One Shilling, shall be and the same are hereby repealed, and the Appointments of all Bailiffs appointed under the said recited Act of the last Session shall henceforward cease and determine.

IV, And be'it enacted, That all Decrees and Orders of the said Civil Bill Court which shall have been signed before the passing of this Act, and remaining unexecuted at the Time of the

In case of forcible Resistance to serving the Process, a Copy thereof may be posted on the Court House and on the Posting Place in the nearest Market Town.

Repeal of Parts of Sections 41, 42, 43, and 44 of 6 & 7 W. 4. c. 75.

Decrees now unexecuted to be executed by the Sheriff. Cap. 43.

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passing hereof, and all Decrees and Orders hereafter to be signed, shall be executed by the Sheriffs of the several Counties in Ireland, or by Persons authorized by them by special Warrant, as if the said Act of the last Session of Parliament had not been passed, and as if the said Decrees or Orders had been directed to such Sheriffs: Provided always, that Decrees for delivering Possession made by an Assistant Barrister or Judge on Appeal shall be executed by the Sheriff or his Deputy in Person, in manner and within the Time and for the Fee in the said Act of the last Session directed in that Behalf; and all Decrees and Orders of the said Court shall henceforward be directed to the Sheriffs of the several Counties in Ireland as before the passing of the said Act.

V. And be it enacted, That whenever it shall be certified by Salary of the Assistant Barrister of any County .to the Grand Jury of Interpreter. such County that an Interpreter is necessary at the Quarter, Sessions for such County, it shall and may be lawful for the Grand Jury to present, without any previous Application at Sessions, to be levied off such County, any Sum not exceeding Fifteen Pounds at each Assizes as a Salary or Payment for such Interpreter.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for such Assistant Bar-Assistant Barrister to appoint either one Interpreter for the rister to appoint' Interpreter or whole of such County or separate Interpreters for each District Interpreters. in which Sessions shall be holden, at his Discretion, and to direct the Salary to be presented as aforesaid to be paid among such Interpreters, if more than One shall be appointed, in such Manner as he shall think fit; and that upon a Certificate signed by such Assistant Barrister, specifying the Amount of such Payment, being produced to the Treasurer of such County, it shall be lawful for such Treasurer to pay to such Interpreter or Interpreters after every Assizes the Amount of the Payment mentioned in such Certificate, not exceeding in the whole the Sum presented by the Grand Jury for that Purpose.

VII. And be it enacted, That each and every such Interpreter Assistant Basmay be removed at the Will and Pleasure of the Assistant rister may re-Barrister of such County for the Time being, and that any preter. other Person or Persons may be appointed in his Place by such Assistant Barrister.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Term "Assistant Barrister" Definition of in this Act shall be construed to include the Chairman of the Sessions for the County of Dublin and also the Recorder of the City of Dublin.

" Assistant Barrister."

CAP. XLIV.

An Act to provide for the Costs of Prosecutions for concealing the Birth of Children by secret burying or otherwise disposing of their Dead Bodies.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, ' intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Statutes in · England relative to Offences against the Person, it is amongst ' other Things enacted, that if any Woman shall be delivered of • a Child, and shall, by secret burying or otherwise disposing of ' the Dead Body of the said Child, endeavour to conceal the Birth • thereof, every such Offender shall be guilty of a Misdemeanor: And whereas no Provision is made by Law for Payment of ' the Costs of Prosecutions for such Misdemeanors:' Be it therefore enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That where any Prosecutor or other Person shall appear before any Court, on Recognizance or Subpœna, to prosecute or give Evidence against any Person upon any Charge of having so endeavoured to conceal the Birth of any Child, every such Court is hereby authorized and empowered, whether any Bill of Indictment for such Charge shall or shall not be actually preferred, to order Payment of the Costs and Expences of the Prosecutor and Witnesses for the Prosecution, together with a Compensation for their Trouble and Loss of Time, in the same Manner as Courts are now by Law authorized and empowered to order the same in Cases of **Prosecutions for Felony.**

II. And be it enacted, That every Order for the Payment of any Money by virtue of this Act shall be made out and delivered by the proper Officer of the Court unto such Prosecutor or other Person upon the same Terms and in the same Manner in all respects as Orders for the Payment of Costs are now made in Cases of Felony; and the Treasurer or other Person, when any such Order shall be made, shall be and he is hereby required, upon Sight of such Order, forthwith to pay to the Person therein named, or to any one duly authorized in that Behalf, the Money in such Order mentioned; and such Treasurer or other Person shall be allowed the same in passing his Accounts.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or repealed by any other Act in this present Session of Parliament.

9 G. 4. c. 31.

Courts empowered to order Payment of Prosecutors and Witnesses in Indictments for concealing the Birth of any Child.

Orders for Payment of Money in such Cases to be the same as Orders for Payment of Costs in Cases of Felony.

Act may be altered. Cap. 44.

Sunday Church Notices.

CAP. XLV.

An Act to alter the Mode of giving Notices for the holding of Vestries, of making Proclamations in Cases of Outlawry, and of giving Notices on Sundays with respect to various Matters. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament passed in the Fiftyeighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George ' the Third, intituled An Act for the Regulation of Parish 58 G.S. c. 69. ' Vestries, it is enacted, that no Vestry or Meeting of the In-' habitants in Vestry of or for any Parish shall be holden until ⁶ public Notice shall have been given of such Vestry, and of the Place and Hour of holding the same, and the special ' Purpose thereof, Three Days at the least before the Day to ' be appointed for holding such Vestry, by the Publication of ' such Notice in the Parish Church or Chapel on some Sunday ' during or immediately after Divine Service, and by affixing ' the same, fairly written or printed, on the principal Door of ' such Church or Chapel: And whereas by an Act passed in ' the Thirty-first Year of Queen Elizabeth it is enacted, that ' before any Outlawry shall be had and pronounced Proclama-' tion shall be made at the Door of the Church or Chapel of ' the Town or Parish where the Defendant shall be dwelling ' immediately after Divine Service on a Sunday : And whereas ' by divers Acts relative to the assessing and collecting of ' Highway and Poor Rates and Land Tax, and other Matters, ' it is directed or required that public Notice shall be given with ' reference to certain Proceedings relating thereto respectively ' in the Parish Churches or Chapels during Divine Service : 'And whereas by ancient Custom Notice is usually given in · Churches during Divine Service of the Times appointed for ' holding Courts Leet, Courts Baron, and Customary Courts: ' And whereas it is expedient that such Mode of giving Notices ' should be altered :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's So much of the most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent first recited Act of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this liestion of present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the Notices resame, That from and after the passing of this Act so much of pealed. the said first-recited Act as directs the Publication of such Notices to be made in the Parish Church or Chapel on some Sunday during or immediately after Divine Service shall be and the same is hereby repealed; and that from and after the Notices not to First Day of January next no Proclamation or other public be given in Notice for a Vestry Meeting or any other Matter shall be during Divine made or given in any Church or Chapel during or after Service, &c. Divine Service, or at the Door of any Church or Chapel at the Conclusion of Divine Service.

II. And be it further enacted, That from and after the First Notices hereto-fore usually Day of January next all Proclamations or Notices, which under given during or or by virtue of any Law or Statute, or by Custom or other- after Divine wise, have been heretofore made or given in Churches or be affixed to the [No.21. Price 2d.]

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Chapels Church Doors.

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Chapels during or after Divine Service, shall be reduced into Writing, and Copies thereof either in Writing or in Print, or partly in Writing and partly in Print, shall previously to the Commencement of Divine Service on the several Days on which such Proclamations or Notices have heretofore been made or given in the Church or Chapel of any Parish or Place, or at the Door of any Church or Chapel, be affixed on or near to the Doors of all the Churches and Chapels within such Parish or Place; and such Notices when so affixed shall be in lieu of and as a Substitution for the several Proclamations and Notices so heretofore given as aforesaid, and shall be good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

III. And be it further enacted, That no such Notice of holding a Vestry shall be affixed on the principal Door of such Church or Chapel unless the same shall previously have been signed by a Churchwarden of the Church or Chapel, or by the Rector, Vicar, or Curate of such Parish, or by an Overseer of the Poor of such Parish; but that every such Notice so signed shall be affixed on or near to the principal Door of such Church or Chapel.

IV. And be it further enacted, That from and after the First Day of *January* next no Decree relating to a Faculty, nor any other Decree, Citation, or Proceeding whatsoever in any Ecclesiastical Court, shall be read or published in any Church or Chapel during or immediately after Divine Service.

V. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act shall extend or be construed to extend to the Publication of Banns, nor to Notice of the Celebration of Divine Service or of Sermons, nor to restrain the Curate, in pursuance of the Rules in the Book of Common Prayer, from declaring unto the People what Holy Days or Fasting Days are in the Week following to be observed, nor to restrain the Minister from proclaiming or publishing what is prescribed by the Rules of the Book of Common Prayer, or enjoined by the Queen or by the Ordinary of the Place.

VI. And be it further enacted, That all the Provisions of this Act shall extend and be construed to extend to the Town of *Berwick-upon-Tweed*, the *Isle of Man*, and the Islands of *Guernsey*, *Jersey*, *Alderney*, and *Sark*.

CAP. XLVI.

An Act to vest the Rolls Estate in Her Majesty, and to provide for the future Payment of the Salary of the Master of the Rolls and the Expences of the Rolls Chapel. [12th July 1837.]

W Estates, commonly called the Rolls Estates, which are situate in and near *Chancery Lane* in the County of *Middleser*, and were formerly the Site of the House or Hospital of Converts or converted Jews, and the Hereditaments thereto 8 ' belonging,

Notices for holding Vestries to be signed as herein directed.

Decrees, &c. of Ecclesiastical Courts not to be read in Churches.

Act not to extend to Notices purely ecclesiastical.

Extension of Act. 1897.

belonging, were granted by King Edward the Third by Letters · Patent bearing Date the Eleventh Day of April, in the Fifty-' first Year of His Reign, to remain and continue for ever to the Clerk or Keeper of the Rolls of Chancery for the Time ' being, and to be annexed to the said Office for ever; and in ' the Letters Patent by which the present Master of the Rolls ' has been appointed, and in every of the Letters Patent by which several preceding Masters of the Rolls respectively ' have been appointed, there have been thereby granted by ' His late Majesty and His Royal Predecessors respectively to such Master of the Rolls respectively the Custody of ' the House or Hospital of the Converts for the Habitation of the said Keeper or Master of the Rolls, together with all ' Edifices, Yards, Gardens, and Orchards to the same House • or Hospital in anywise belonging or appertaining, to hold the ' same (together with such Office of Keeper or Master of the • Rolls) unto such Person respectively during his Life, with all ' Rights and Appurtenances whatsoever to the said Office or ' to the House or Hospital aforesaid belonging or appertaining, ' the Wages, Fees, Rewards, Commodities, Emoluments, and ' Profits whatsoever anciently in anywise accustomed and due to ' the same Office, to be received yearly, together with all and · all Manner of other Rights, Liberties, Pre-eminences, Profits, ' Emoluments, Mansions, Places, and Appurtenances whatsoever in anywise belonging or appertaining to the Office ' aforesaid, in as ample Manner and Form as any other Keeper ' or Master of the Rolls or of the said House or Hospital was ' or were accustomed to receive and enjoy the same: And ' whereas the said Rolls Estates consist of the Mansion House, ' with the Court-yard, Garden, Stable, Coach-house, and other ' Houses and Buildings thereunto belonging, the Chapel called ' the Rolls Chapel, and several Messuages and Hereditaments, ' and a Particular or Rental of the said Estates is annexed by ' way of Schedule to this Act: And whereas by virtue of an ' Act passed in the Twelfth Year of King Charles the Second, in-' tituled An Act empowering the Master of the Rolls for the Time 12 Car. 2. c. 36. ' being to make Leases for Years in order to new-build the old ' Houses belonging to the Rolls, and also an Act passed in the ' Seventeenth Year of the Reign of King George the Third, ' intituled An Act to repeal an Act made in the Twelfth Year of 17 G.3. c. 59. 'King Charles the Second, intituled 'The Master of the Rolls ' "empowered to make Leases for Years in order to new-build the ' ' old Houses belonging to the Rolls,' and for the better regulating ' the Method of granting Leases of the said Rolls Estate, and for ' making Compensation to the Earl of Macclesfield and Sir Thomas ' Sewell for their beneficial Rights and Interests in certain Leases ' made of the Rolls Estate, and for regulating the Method of ' making Leases of the said Estate for the future, the Master of the ' Rolls for the Time being has from Time to Time granted ' Leases of the said Messuages and Premises (the said Chapel ' of the Rolls, and the said Mansion House, Court-yard, ' Garden, Stable, Coach-house, and other Outhouses and Build-X 2 ings

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only excepted): And whereas by an Act passed in the First ' Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for appropriating to the Use of the Master of the 6 Rolls for the Time being the Rents of the Rolls Estate, and the 6 · Dividends of the Funds in the Court of Chancery arising from " the surplus Rents of that Estate, it was enacted, that the Sum 6 of Four thousand and eighty-one Pounds Four Shillings and 6 Four-pence, Three per Centum Bank Annuities, purchased in pursuance of the said Act of the Seventeenth Year of the · Reign of King George the Third, with the Surplus of the 6 Rents and Profits of the said Rolls Estates, and then standing 6 in the Name of the Accountant General of the Court of Chancery to the Account "The Account of the Rolls 6 Estate," should be and remain in the said Court to the said Account called "The Account of the Rolls Estate," and should be and form a Fund for the Purpose (if necessary) of 6 repairing, supporting, and rebuilding the Houses and Premises called the Rolls Estate, and keeping the same insured from Loss or Damage by Fire, (except the said Chapel and Mansion "House, with their Appurtenances,) and be sold, applied, and disposed of for those Purposes or any of them by Order of the · Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, or Lords Commissioners of ' the Great Seal from Time to Time as there might be Occasion, 6 and that the Dividends, Interest, and annual Produce thereof then due and thereafter to accrue due might from Time to Time be paid by the said Accountant General without any Order or Draft for that Purpose to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, subject nevertheless to any Order of the 6 6 Court, as therein and herein-before is mentioned; and by the same Act it was further enacted, that the Master of the Rolls 6 for the Time being should after the passing of the said Act 6 have and be entitled to receive the whole of the Rents and 6 Profits of the said Estate called "The Rolls Estate," after 6 providing for the keeping in repair and properly supporting 4 and rebuilding and insuring from Fire the said Houses and 6 Premises to and for his own Use and Benefit: And whereas the said Sum of Four thousand and eighty-one Pounds Four Shillings and Four-pence, Three per Centum Bank Annuities, remains standing in the Name of the said Accountant General in the Account aforesaid, and since the passing of the said herein-before in part recited Act of the First Year ' of the Reign of King George the Fourth the Dividends and ' annual Produce thereof, amounting to the annual Sum of One ' hundred and twenty-two Pounds Eight Shillings and Eightpence, and also the Rents, Issues, and Profits of the Rolls · Estate (which on an Average of the last Two Years amount • to the annual Sum of Two thousand one hundred and nineteen · Pounds Sixteen Shillings), have been received by the Master · of the Rolls for the Time being as Part of the Emoluments of his Office: And whereas the Court in which the Master of the Rolls is accustomed to sit as one of the Judges of ' the

1 G. 4. c. 107.

' the Court of Chancery out of Term, together with certain Rooms adjacent thereto necessary for the Administration of ' Justice there, form Part of the said Mansion House: And " whereas the other Part of the said Mansion House, and the " Garden and Appurtenances thereto belonging are not at present used by or for the Accommodation of the Master of the " Rolls, and some of the Rooms in the said Mansion House are occupied by Records belonging to Her Majesty's Court of "Queen's Bench: And whereas, in pursuance of an Act passed • in the Session of Parliament held in the Sixth and Seventh • Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to 6&7 W.4. c.49. ' enable the Master of the Rolls to demise Part of the Rolls Estate • to the Society of Judges and Serjeants, the Master of the Rolls, ⁴ with the Consent and Approbation of Three of the Commis-⁵ sioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, hath granted a Lease of ⁴ Part of the Garden belonging to the said Mansion House to the said Society of Judges and Serjeants at Law for a • Term of Ninety-nine Years at a Peppercorn Rent, for the • Purpose of building Chambers for the Judges thereon : And "whereas by an Act passed in the Fiftieth Year of the Reign • of King George the Third, intituled An Act for building certain 50 G. s. c. 164. "Offices for the Examiners, Cursitors, Clerks of the Crown, and "? · Clerks of the Petty Bag of the High Court of Chancery, and for making certain Regulations in the Examiners Office of the said Court, and for making Provision for such of the Examiners, Deputy Examiners, and Clerks as from Length of Service or from • Age or Infirmity are or shall be incapacitated from the due Exe-• cution of their Offices, and for making Provision for other Officers • of the said Court, and for making other Payments in respect of ' the said Officers, the Freehold of the Buildings in the Rolls "Yard, Chancery Lane, where the Business of the Office of • Examiners, and also of the Offices of the Clerk of the Crown • and Clerk of the Petty Bag, is now carried on, with its Rights, Members, and Appurtenances, and all other Premises, ' if any, which should thereafter be purchased for the Purposes of the said Offices, together with all Buildings then or there-' after to be erected thereon, were vested in the Master of the • Rolls for the Time being for the Use and for the Purposes · of the said Offices, and subject to such Rules and Regula-' tions respecting the Use and Occupation thereof, and of the Rooms and Chambers thereto belonging or therewith occupied, as the Court of Chancery shall from Time to Time order and direct: And whereas several of the most valuable "Records of the Chancery of England are deposited in Presses ' in Closets in the Inside of the said Rolls Chapel, and on • Shelves and Closets in the Roof thereof: And whereas the ' Two Chaplains of the Master of the Rolls have respectively ' been appointed from Time to Time by the Master of the · Rolls for the Time being, and have officiated as Preacher and • Reader in the Performance of Divine Worship in the said ' Chapel: And whereas an ancient yearly Payment or Sum of · Four Pounds, chargeable upon and issuing out of the Rec-ХЗ forv

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' tory of Saint Dunstan in the West in the City of London ' and the Suburbs of the said City, is payable to the Master ' of the Rolls for the Time being; and by an Act passed in ' the First Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George • the Fourth, intituled An Act for uniting the Rectory and · Vicarage of the Parish of Saint Dunstan in the West in the · City of London and the Suburbs of the said City, and for securing · a certain annual Payment to the Rector of the said Parish in · lieu of Tithes, it was enacted, that the Rector of the said Parish ' shall be and remain subject to the Payment of and shall well ' and truly pay the said yearly Payment or Sum of Four · Pounds to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being on ' the Twenty-ninth Day of September in each Year: And ' whereas the said Preacher hath also been accustomed to receive from the Masters, Six Clerks, Registrars, and other ' Officers of the said Court of Chancery who are considered ' to be entitled to Seats in the said Chapel certain Fees, amounting to the yearly Sum of Forty-nine Pounds Two Shillings • and Eight-pence or thereabouts; and the said Reader has ' received the Rents at which Pews in the said Chapel have been ⁶ let to Persons not entitled to Seats therein, and Sums have been paid out of the Rents and Profits of the Rolls Estate to ' the said Preacher and Reader to make up to each of them, ' together with the said annual Sums, Fees, and Rents received by them respectively, the annual Sum of One hundred Pounds; and there has also been paid out of the Rents and Profits ' of the said Rolls Estate the annual Sum of Ten Pounds • to the Clerk attending the Performance of Divine Service at • the said Chapel, and the annual Sum of Nine Pounds or there-6 abouts to a Laundress for keeping the said Chapel clean: And ' whereas certain ancient annual Payments, amounting to the yearly Sum of Forty-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings and · Seven-pence, are payable to the Master of the Rolls for the • Time being by the Keeper and Clerk of the Hanaper in · Chancery out of the Income and Revenue of his Office: And ' whereas by an Act passed in the Twenty-third Year of the · Reign of King George the Second, intituled An Act for making good a Deficiency upon the Revenue of the Office of Keeper or Clerk of the Hanaper, and for preventing any future Deficiency ' therein to answer the Public Services provided for out of the same, ' and for augmenting the Income of the Office of the Master or . Keeper of the Rolls, it was enacted, that out of the Duties granted by the said Act, and thereby directed to be paid into • the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster, there should be issued and paid unto the Keeper or Clerk of the ' Hanaper in Chancery for the Time being, or his Deputy, a ' yearly Sum not exceeding the Sum of Three thousand · Pounds; and that the said yearly Sum of Three thousand · Pounds, and also the yearly Interest, Dividends, and Proceeds ' which should arise or be produced from the surplus Cash ' therein mentioned, should be issued, paid, applied, and ac-⁴ counted for, together with and as Part of the ordinary Income

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' and Revenue of the Hanaper Office, in such and the same • Manner as the Income and Revenue of the said Office had • from Time to Time been issued, paid, applied, and accounted ' for, and also the Payment of the yearly Sum of One thousand ' two hundred Pounds to the Master or Keeper of the Rolls for • the Time being: And whereas out of the said annual Sum · of One thousand two hundred Pounds paid by the Clerk of ' the Hanaper as aforesaid in pursuance of the said last-men-• tioned Act, there are now paid by the Master of the Rolls for · Land-tax Duty and Stamps Sums of Money amounting to the annual Sum of Three hundred and thirty-one Pounds One, · Shilling and Sixpence, and also a Fee of Two Guineas to the Clerk of the Hanaper, by which Payment the Amount • of Salary or pecuniary Profit received by the Master of the • Rolls in respect of the said Sum of One thousand two hundred · Pounds is reduced to the annual Sum of Eight hundred and sixty-six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence: And ' whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of ' His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to 6 G. 4. c. 84. ⁴ provide for the augmenting the Salaries of the Master of the Rolls ^{2.2}. ⁴ and the Vice-Chancellor of England, the Chief Baron of the ⁴ Court of Exchequer, and the Puisne Judges and Barons of the ' Courts in Westminster Hall, and to enable His Majesty to grant ' an Annuity to such Vice-Chancellor, and additional Annuities ' to such Master of the Rolls, Chief Baron, and Puisne Judges ' and Barons on their Resignation of their respective Offices, it was enacted, that from and after the passing of the said Act ' there should be issued and paid and payable out of and ⁴ charged and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the " United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (after paying or reserving sufficient to pay all such Sum and Sums of ' Money as had been directed by any former Act or Acts of · Parliament to be paid out of the same, but with Preference to 'all other Payments which should or might thereafter be ' charged upon or payable out of the same Fund,) to the several ⁴ Persons therein-after mentioned, as an Augmentation of their ' respective Salaries and pecuniary Profits belonging to the ' said respective Offices, the several annual Sums therein-after respectively mentioned; (that is to say,) to the Master of the ⁶ Rolls of the Court of Chancery in England such Sum as with ' the Sums then payable to the said Master of the Rolls in pursuance of the said Act of the Twenty-third Year of the ۲ · Reign of His said Majesty King George the Second, and in ' pursuance of the said Act of the First Year of the Reign of ' His said Majesty King George the Fourth, and with the other ' Fees and Emoluments of the said Office, would make up the ' Salary of the said Office to the annual Sum of Seven thousand ' Pounds, and to other Persons therein named the several ÷. other annual Sums therein mentioned: And whereas the Emoluments of the said Office of Master of the Rolls referred to in the said last-mentioned Act, besides or in 'addition to the said Interest, Dividends, and annual Produce ' of

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of the said Sum of Four thousand and eighty-one Pounds Four Shillings and Four-pence, Three Pounds per Centum 6 Bank Annuities, and the Rents and Profits of the said Rolls Estates (after making such Payments thereout as aforesaid), and the said ancient Payments made by the said Clerk 4 of the Hanaper, amounting to the yearly Sum of Forty-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Seven-pence, and the said yearly Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds payable 6 in pursuance of the said Act of the Twenty-third Year of the Reign of King George the Second (after making such Payments thereout as aforesaid), consist of Fees and Parts of Fees, and small ancient annual Payments which are received or payable by the Registrars of the Court of Chancery, the Under 6 6 Secretary of the Master of the Rolls, the Clerk of the Enrolments, the said Clerk of the Hanaper, the Clerks of the Petty Bag, the Clerk of the Rolls Chapel, and other Persons: And whereas if the said Rolls Estates and the other Offices and Estates now vested in the Master of the Rolls for the Time being were vested in Her Majesty, and placed under the Management of the Commissioners 6 of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings, the same, after making proper Accommodation and Provisions for the Court of the Master of the Rolls, and for the Administration of Justice in such 6 Court, and for the Custody and Deposit of the Records and Papers now placed in the Rolls Chapel, and the Per-6 formance of Divine Worship in the said Chapel, and for the ⁴ Transaction of the Business of the Offices which are now in the said Rolls Yard, and after appropriating such Part or 6 · Parts thereof (if any) as may be thought expedient for the · Purposes of any of the Offices connected with the Courts of Chancery or the Courts of Law, might be made more available 6 for the Public Service, or more profitable than under the Management of the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, or the Receiver appointed by him : And whereas, in pursuance of the Provisions of the said Act of the Twenty-third Year 6 of the Reign of King George the Second, there is now paid out of Duties which form Part of the said Consolidated Fund ' to the Clerk of the Hanaper an annual Sum, to be paid over • by him to the Master of the Rolls, who out of the same has to pay Taxes and Duties, which form Part of the said Conso-6 lidated Fund, and then by virtue of the said first-recited Act receives back from the said Consolidated Fund the Amount of such Taxes and Duties, and any other Deficiency in the 6 Amount of his Salary: And whereas the several complicated · Transactions aforesaid would be rendered unnecessary if the 6 said ancient Payments, amounting to the yearly Sum of Fortyfive Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Seven-pence and the 6 6 said yearly Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds, 6 were no longer to be paid by the Clerk of the Hanaper ' to the Master of the Rolls, or accounted for as Part of his ' annual Salary: And whereas the Fees payable to the Master

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· of the Rolls by the Registrars of the Court of Chancery · consist of the Sum of Six Shillings and Eight-pence out of • the Fees received by them from the Suitors upon every Decree or Dismission, which are Taxes on the Administration of ' Justice, and the same could not, it is apprehended, be abolished · by virtue of the Act passed in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act for the 3&4W.4. c.94. ' Regulation of the Proceedings and Practice of certain Officers of ' the High Court of Chancery in England, because the same ' had been made to contribute towards the Payment of the Salary of the Master of the Rolls: And whereas the only ' Fees payable to the Master of the Rolls which are received by his Under Secretary are the Sum of Five Pounds Seven Shillings and Sixpence upon the Admission of every Sworn Clerk, and a Sum of Five Shillings for allowing a Marshalsea • Court Writ or Warrant to be executed within the Liberty • of the Rolls : And whereas it is expedient that the said Fee or · Sum of Six Shillings and Eight-pence payable to the Master ' of the Rolls upon every Decree or Dismission, and the said ' Fees payable to the Master of the Rolls on the Admission of · Clerks in Court, and on Leave to execute Marshalsea Court ' Writs within the Liberty of the Rolls, should be abolished : · And whereas it will be more convenient, and more consistent ' with the Honour and Dignity of the Master of the Rolls, that ' the said full annual Sum of Seven thousand Pounds should ' be received by him wholly out of the said Consolidated Fund, ' and that the said Fees and Payments now received by him, ' and other the Emoluments of his Office, should be paid into ' the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer in ease of the Public Revenue, than that he should receive such Fees, Payments, and ' Emoluments, and have to account for the same as Parts of ' his Salary:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said Act of the Seventeenth Year of the The Acts Reign of King George the Third (except so far as respects 17 G. s. c. 59. any Leases made in pursuance of the Power therein contained), repealed. and also the said first-mentioned Act of the First Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, shall be and the same are hereby repealed: Provided always, that the Repeal of the said Acts shall not revive any Act or Part of an Act thereby respectively repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of Rolls Estate to this Act the said Mansion House, with the Court-yard, Garden, be vested in the Stable, Coach-house, and other Houses and Buildings thereunto belonging, and the said Chapel and several Messuages and Hereditaments adjoining or near thereto, commonly called the Rolls Estate, or the House or Hospital of the Converts, of which a Particular or Rental is contained in the Schedule to this Act, and the Rents which have accrued or shall accrue or become due for the same from the Fifth Day of January last, and all other

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other Rents and Hereditaments which are now vested in the Master of the Rolls by virtue of the Letters Patent by which he was appointed Master of the Rolls, (other than and except the said Office of Keeper or Master of the Rolls, Books, Writs, and Records of the Chancery of England, and subject to such Leases of Parts of the Hereditaments which are now subsisting and have been granted in pursuance of the Powers of Acts of Parliament herein-before mentioned or any of them,) and also the said Offices in the said Rolls Yard for the Examiners, Cursitors, Clerks of the Crown and Clerks of the Petty Bag of the High Court of Chancery, and all other Messuages, Lands, and Hereditaments which by virtue of any Act or Acts of Parliament are vested in the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, with their Appurtenances, shall be and the same are hereby vested in Her Majesty as Part of the Possessions and Land Revenues of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, in right of the Crown, and shall no longer be granted as heretofore to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, or annexed to the said Office, and shall be within the ordering and Survey of the Court of Exchequer in England, and subject to the Provisces, Powers, and Authorities contained in the Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Management and Improvement of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, Purks, and Chases, of the Land Revenue of the Crown within the Survey of the Exchequer in England, and of the Land Revenue of the Crown in Ireland, and for extending certain Provisions relating to the same to the Isles of Man and Alderney, and in the Act passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act for uniting the Office of the Surveyor General of His Majesty's Works and Public Buildings with the Office of the Commissioners of His Majesty's Woods, Forests, and Land Revenues, and for other Purposes relating to the Land Revenues, and to all such other Provisions, Powers, and Authorities in every respect as the other Possessions and Land Revenues of the Crown within the ordering and Survey of the said Court of Exchequer are subject to.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That there shall be continued or provided and maintained the said Court of the Master of the Rolls as one of the Judges of the Court of Chancery, and the Rooms adjacent thereto, and now used for the Administration of Justice, or some other convenient Court and Rooms for the same Purposes in the said Mansion House, or upon or near the Site thereof, or in some other convenient Place, and a Chapel called the Rolls Chapel, for the Performance of Divine Worship in the said present Chapel, or upon or near the Site thereof, and also Offices to be used and occupied by the said Examiners, Clerks of the Crown and Clerks of the Petty Bag of the High Court of Chancery, for the Use and Purposes of their respective Offices in the said Offices now in the Rolls Yard, or upon or near the Sites thereof, or in some other convenient Places.

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the Continuance of the Rolls Court Chapel and Offices.

- IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall be Commissioners lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods, of Woods, &c., by Direction of the Forests, Land Revenues, Works, and Buildings, by the Direction of the Lord High Treasurer or any Three of the Commis- appropriate any sioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being, at any Estate for the Rolls Estate for the Purposes of any they may think proper of the Messuages, Buildings, Ground, of the Courts, and Hereditaments now called the Rolls Estate to or for the or for a Depo-Purposes of any of the Courts of any of the Judges of the Records. Court of Chancery, or of any Courts of Law or Equity or Bankruptcy, or of any Office or Offices belonging to or connected with the Business of any such Court or Courts, or for a Depository of the Records of the Court of Chancery, which are now accustomed to be kept in the said Rolls Chapel, or of any other Records of any other of Her Majesty's Courts of Law or Equity, or other Public Records, or for any other public Purpose connected with the Administration of Justice, or the Custody or Preservation of Records or Documents, and for such Purpose or Purposes or any of them to cause any Building or Buildings thereon to be altered or pulled down, or any Building or Buildings to be erected thereon.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Commissioners for Separate Acthe Time being of Her Majesty's Woods, Forests, Land Rever count to be kept nues, Works, and Buildings shall cause a separate and distinct ceived and paid Account to be kept in the Books of their Office of the Rents under this Act. and Profits and other Monies received in respect of the Hereditaments vested in Her Majesty by virtue of this Act, and of the Payment and Application of the same, and after deducting thereout all the Expences incidental to the Collection and Management of the same Rents, Profits, and Hereditaments shall yearly and every Year pay over the Residue of the said Rents and Profits and other Monies to be received as aforesaid into the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster to the Account of the Consolidated Fund.

VI. And be it enacted, That the said Accountant General Sale of Stock of the Court of Chancery shall and he is hereby required, by for paying Ex-Order or Orders of the Master of the Rolls to be made in a and other Costs, summary Way upon the Petition of any Person who shall be and Residue appointed by the Lord High Treasurer or any Three of the thereof to form Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being lidated Fund. by Writing under his or their Hands to receive the Monies to be produced by the Sale of the said Sum of Four thousand and eighty-one Pounds Four Shillings and Four-pence, Three per Centum Bank Annuities, now standing in the Name of the said Accountant General, "The Account of the Rolls Estate" as aforesaid, after Payment of such Costs as herein-after are mentioned, to sell the said Sum of Four thousand and eighty-one Pounds Four Shillings and Four-pence, Three per Centum Bank Annuities, and out of the Monies to be produced by Sale thereof to pay to the Person or Persons named in such Order or Orders to receive the same all the Costs and Charges of procuring

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curing and passing this Act, and of all Proceedings had or to be had in pursuance thereof, which shall be directed to be paid thereout by such Lord High Treasurer, or Three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, together with the Costs of such Petition and Order, and all Costs relating thereto, the Amount thereof to be certified by One of the Masters of the High Court of Chancery, and to pay to the Petitioner appointed to receive the same as aforesaid the Residue of the Monies to be produced by such Sale, after Payment of all such Costs and Charges as aforesaid, for the Purpose of being paid by such Petitioner into the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer, and the same shall be carried to the Credit of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*.

VII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the said ancient Payments, amounting to the yearly Sum of Forty-five Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Sevenpence, payable by the Clerk of the Hanaper out of the Income or Revenue of his Office to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, shall be discontinued and be no longer payable.

VIII. And be it enacted, That so much of the said Act of the Twenty-third Year of the Reign of King *George* the Second as directs the Payment of the said Sum of One thousand two hundred Pounds by the Clerk of the Hanaper to the Master of the Rolls shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

IX. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act the said Fee or Part of a Fee received by the Master of the Rolls for the Time being from the Registrars of the said Court of Chancery out of the Fees received by them upon every Decree or Dismission, shall no longer be received or be payable to the Use of the Master of the Rolls, or be received or payable to the said Registrars from the Person or Persons by whom such Fees are payable to them; and also that the said Fee received by or paid to the Use of the Master of the Rolls upon the Admission of any Sworn Clerk, and the said Fee received by or paid to the Use of the Master of the Rolls for allowing a Marshalsea Court Writ or Warrant to be executed within the Liberty of the Rolls as herein-before is mentioned, shall no longer be received or payable.

X. And be it enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven no Fees or pecuniary Profits whatever, other than and except such Fees or pecuniary Profits as shall have accrued or become payable previously to the said Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and other than and except the Salary directed to be paid by this Act, shall be received by or be payable to the Use of the Master of the Rolls in respect of the Execution of his Office; and that all and every Officers and Persons who now receive for or pay to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being any Fees, Portion or Portions of Fees, or any other Sum or Sums of Money whatsoever in respect of his Office, shall continue to receive the same, or the like Fees, Portion

Ancient Payments out of the Hanaper to cease.

Repeal of Provision in 23 G. 2. c. 25.

Abolishing Payment of certain Fees to the Master of the Rolls.

Other Fees to be paid into the Exchequer.

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Portion or Portions of Fees, and Sums of Money (except such as are hereby abolished) for the public Use, and shall pay the same into Her Majesty's Exchequer, at such Times and Seasons as the same have been heretofore usually paid to the Master of the Rolls for the Time being, or at such other Times and Seasons, and in such Manner, and subject to such Regulations, as the Lord High Treasurer or any Three of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being shall from Time to Time direct, and with such Deductions and Allowances only as have been heretofore usually made and allowed.

XI. And be it enacted, That so much of the said Act of the Repeat of Sixth Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth as relates to the Salary of the Master of the Rolls, and requires an Account of the Amount of Fees paid to him, or of Sums of Money received or payable to his Use, to be delivered from Time to Time to the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, shall be and the same is hereby repealed, save and except as to the Delivery of such Account up to the said Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and the Payment to the Master of the Rolls out of the Consolidated Fund as heretofore of the Deficiency (if any) in the Amount of his Salary up to that Day

XII. And be it enacted, That from and after the Fifth Day Salary to be of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven there shall paid to Master be issued and paid and payable out of and charged and charge- of Rolls able upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, (after paying or reserving sufficient to pay all such Sum and Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Act or Acts to be paid out of the same, but with Preference to all other Payments which shall or may hereafter be charged upon or payable out of the same Fund,) for the Salary of the Master of the Rolls of the Court of Chancery in England, in lieu of all pecuniary Fees and Emoluments now received by him, the annual Sum of Seven thousand Pounds, to be computed and commenced, in the Case of the present Master of the Rolls, from the said Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and to be computed and commenced, in the Case of every succeeding Master of the Rolls, from the Death or Resignation of his immediate Predecessor, in like Manner as if his Appointment bore Date the Day next subsequent to the Day of the Death or Resignation of his Predecessor; which said annual Sum of Seven thousand Pounds shall from Time to Time be payable and paid quarterly, free and clear from Land Tax and all other Taxes and Deductions whatsoever, on the Fifth Day of January, the Fifth Day of April, the Fifth Day of July, and the Tenth Day of October in each and every Year, by even and equal Portions, the first Payment thereof to be made on the Tenth Day of October next after the passing of this Act; and if any Person having the Office of Master of the Rolls shall die or resign such Office, the Executors

Provision in 6 G. 4. c. 84.

of Rolls in lieu

Executors or Administrators of the Person so dying or resigning such Office shall be entitled to such proportionable Part of the said Salary as shall have accrued during the Time that such Person shall have executed the said Office.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the said Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven there shall be issued and paid and payable out of and charged and chargeable upon the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland (after paying or reserving sufficient to pay all such Sum and Sums of Money as have been directed by any former Act or Acts to be paid out of the same, but with Preference to all other Payments which shall or may hereafter be charged upon or payable out of the same Fund,) in lieu of the yearly Payments now made out of the Rents and Profits of the said Rolls Estates to the Preacher and Reader of the said Rolls Chapel, and to the Clerk attending the Performance of Divine Service there, and for keeping the said Chapel clean, and on the same Days or Times and in the same Manner as the said annual Salary of Seven thousand Pounds is herein-before directed to be issued and paid to the Master of the Rolls, the annual Sum of Two hundred and twenty-five Pounds to the Preacher for the Time being of the Rolls Chapel, to be paid and applied by him (in such Proportions and in such Manner as the Master of the Rolls for the Time being shall think proper and direct) to the Preacher and Reader at the said Chapel, and to the Clerk attending the Performance of Divine Worship therein, and in payment of the Expences attending the Performance of Divine Worship at the said Chapel, and of keeping the said Chapel clean.

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Master of the Rolls for the Time being shall be entitled to appoint all such Officers (except the Receiver of the Rents of the Rolls Estate) as he would have been entitled to appoint if this Act had not been made; and that the present and all future Officers appointed by the Master of the Rolls (except such Receiver as aforesaid) shall have all such and the same Powers, Authorities, Jurisdictions, and Privileges, and shall be entitled to the same Salaries, Fees, Profits, and Emoluments, as they would have been entitled to have, receive, and enjoy if this Act had not been made.

The SCHEDULE to which this Act refers.

The ROLLS ESTATE consists of the following Particulars:

The Mansion House, in which is the Court.

The Chapel and Office thereto belonging.

The Secretary's Office.

Coach-house and Stables.

Porter's Lodge.

Salary to be paid to the Preacher, Reader, and Clerk at the Rolls Chapek.

Master of the Rolls to have the same Power of appointing Officers as he now exercises. Cap, 46,

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Robing Room.

Garden (a Portion of which the Master of the Rolls has demised to the Society of Judges and Serjeants by virtue of the Statute Sixth and Seventh William the Fourth, Chapter Forty-nine, for the Purpose of building Judges Chambers thereon).

Also of the following Houses:

Number in Rental.	TENANTS.	Number of Houses.	Expiration of the Term.	Yearly Rent.

Fetter Lane.

					, £	8.	а.
. 1	Holmes -	-	123	5 July 1845 -	36	0	0
2	Meharey	~	129	5 July 1838 -	25	0	0
3	Kennedy -	-	125	5 July 1846 -	35	0	0
4	Oakley	·	119	5 January 1847 -	50	0	0
5	Price	-	115	5 July 1845 -	35	0	0
6	Lightfoot -	-	133	5 January 1855 -	33	0	0
7	Coleman	-	124	5 January 1857 -	31	10	0
8	West -	-	117	5 July 1840 -	44	0	0
· 9	Highatt -	-	130	5 July 1847 -	28	0	0
10	Reeve	-	118	5 July 1847 -	54	0	0
11	Crookes -	-	120	5 July 1845 -	80	0	0
12	Batchelor -	-	112	5 January 1839 -	80	0	0
13	Mosley	-	113	5 January 1839 -	42	0	0
14	Savage -	-	111	5 July 1841 -	100	0	0
15	Maclean	-	135	5 July 1848 -	34	0	0
16	Smith -	-	127	10 October 1851 -	73	10	0
17	Birch	-	116	5 January 1852 -	35	0	0
18	Shaw and Sons	-	136	5 January 1847 -	32	0	0
19	Levy -	-	131	25 December 1840	30	0	0
.20	Bealby	-	114	5 April 1840 -	30	0	0
21	Shaw -	-	137	5 July 1847 -	30	0	0
22	Quin	~	122	5 January 1839 -	25	0	0
23	Allingham -	-	121	5 January 1848 -	35	0	0
24	Sewell	-	182	5 January 1846 -	40	0	0
25	Talmage -	-	134	5 January 1848 -	36	0	0
26	Oakley -	-	20	5 July 1850 -	40	0	0
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Chancery Lane.

27	Moulton		-		5 July 1858	-	56	0	0
28	Northcroft	-	~		5 July 1843	-	42	0	0
29	Walford	-	-	. 8	5 January 1848	-	54	0	0
30	Heath	_ · _	-	• 11	5 January 1841	- 1	50	0	0
31	Steer	-	-	15	5 January 1845	-	63	0	0

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Number in Rental.	TENANTS.		Number of Houses.	Expiration of the Term.		Yearly Rent.		
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		•			,	£	8.	d.
32	Mayhew -	-	19	5 July 1845	-	50	0	0
33	Acton – –	-	17	5 January 1840	-	35	0	0
34	Chilton -	-	7	5 July 1838	-	52	10	0
35	Ryder -	-	85	5 July 1838	-	5Q 60	0 0	0 0*
36	Steel	-	12	 F A	-	00 70	0	0
37	Baddeley -	-	5	5 April 1856 5 April 1856	-	93	Ŏ	0
37 a	Carlon -	-	6 9	5 January 1845		54	ŏ	ŏ
38 39	Thomson -		20	J January 1030		40	ŏ	0*
39 40	Battye Davies -		13	5 July 1852		60	Ō	Õ
41	Jones		10	5 January 1845	-	60	Ö	Ō
42	Hamilton -	_	16	5 July 1838		36	Ō	0
43	Offord	-	98	10 October 1838	-	40	0	0
		Ca	rey Str	eet.				
44	Hepburn -	-	-	5 January 1837	-	6 0	0	0*
		Roll	Bui ld	lings.				
45	Moy -	- 1	1	5 April 1841	-	1 29	0	0
46	Reeve -	-	4	5 July 1837	-	35	0	0
47	Legg	-	17	5 July 1847	-	38	0	0
48	Barrack -	-	3		-	36	0	0*
49	Triston	-	2	5 January 1848	-	38	0	0
50	Smith -	-	19	5 July 1845	-	38	0	0
51	Robertson -	-	18	5 January 1848	-	40	0	0
52	Walker -	-	19	5 July 1848	•	38		0
53	Hasterick -	-	16		-	38	-	0*
54	Howlett	- 1	6	5 July 1845	-	34	0	0
	Wast	e La	nd at	Norwood.				
55	Richardson -	-			-	1	1	0

The Leases of the Houses which are distinguished by the Mark (*) have expired.

The following Offices, (videlicet,) the Subpœna Office, the Examiner's Office, the Crown Office in Chancery, and the Petty Bag Office, and some Rooms in which Records are deposited, are also situate upon the Rolls Estate; but under the Statute Fiftieth George the Third, Chapter One hundred and sixty-four, they are vested in the Master of the Rolls, in Trust and for the Purposes of the Act only.

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CAP. XLVII.

An Act to repeal the Prohibition of the Payment of the Salaries and Allowances of the East India Company's Officers during their Absence from their respective Stations in India. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS under and by virtue of an Act passed in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His Majesty 'King George the Third, intituled An Act for continuing in 33 G. 3. c. 52. ' the East India Company for a further Term the Possession of the British Territories in India, together with their exclusive Trade, under certain Limitations; for establishing further Regu-' lations for the Government of the said Territories, and the better Administration of Justice within the same; for appropriating to ' certain Uses the Revenues and Profits of the said Company; and ' for making Provisions for the good Order and Government of the "Towns of Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, and of another Act ' passed in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His ' late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for 3&4W.4. c.85. ' effecting an Arrangement with the East India Company, and for ' the better Government of His Majesty's Indian Territories, till ' the Thirtieth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, it is enacted, that "if any Governor or other Officer whatever in the Service of the said Company shall leave the ⁴ Presidency to which he shall belong, other than in the known ' actual Service of the said Company, the Salary and Allowances ' appertaining to his Office shall not be paid or payable during ' his Absence to any Agent or other Person for his Use, and in ' the event of his not returning, or of his coming to Europe, his ' Salary and Allowances shall be deemed to have ceased on the ' Day of his leaving the said Territories or the Presidency to ' which he may have belonged": And whereas it is further ⁶ provided in the said last-mentioned Act, that it shall be lawful ' for the said Company to make such Payment as is now by Law permitted to be made to the Representatives of their ' Officers or Servants, who, having left their Stations intending ' to return thereto, shall die during their Absence, and it is ' expedient that such Provision of the Law should be altered ' in manner herein-after mentioned :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much and such Part or Parts So much of the of the said Two Acts passed respectively in the Thirty-third Provisions of Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third and the recited Acts in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His said late Payment of Majesty King William the Fourth, and of any other Act or Salaries to Majesty King William the Fourth, and of any other Act of Officers in the Provision of the Law, as enacts that if any Governor or other Service of the Officer whatever in the Service of the said Company shall leave East India the Presidency to which he shall belong, other than in the Company known [No. 22. Price 2d.] Υ

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not extend to Cases of Sickness;

nor to Cases of Officers quitting one Presidency for another, in order to embark for Europe.

No Rule valid till approved by Court of Directors, subject to the Control of Commissioners for Affairs of India.

Power for the Court of Directors, subject to aforesaid Control, to direct the refunding of any Part of the Allowance paid under any of said Rules.

known actual Service of the said Company, the Salary and Allowances appertaining to his Office shall not be paid or payable during his Absence to any Agent or other Person for his Use, shall not extend to the Case of any Officer or Servant of the Company under the Rank of Governor or Member of Council who shall quit the Presidency to which he shall belong in consequence of Sickness, under such Rules as may from Time to Time be established by the Governor General in India in Council, or by the Governor in Council of such Presidency, as the Case may be, and who shall proceed to any Place within the Limits of the East India Company's Charter, or to the Cape of Good Hope, or to the Mauritius, or to the Island of St. Helena, nor to the Case of any Officer or Servant of the said Company, under such Rank as aforesaid, who, with the Permission of the Government of the Presidency to which he shall belong, shall quit such Presidency in order to proceed to another Presidency for the Purpose of embarking thence for Europe, until the Departure of such Officer or Servant from such last-mentioned Presidency with a view to return to Europe, so as that the Port of such Departure for Europe shall not be more distant from the Place which he shall have guitted in his own Presidency than any Port of Embarkation within such Presidency.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That no such Rule so to be established as aforesaid shall have any Force or Validity until the same shall have been approved by the Court of Directors of the said Company, subject to the Control of the Commissioners for the Affairs of *India*, in like Manner as is provided by the said Act of the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Fourth.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Court of Directors, subject to such Control as aforesaid, to direct the refunding, by any Officer or Servant of the said Company, or by the Representatives of any such Officer or Servant, of the Whole or any Part of the Salary or Allowance which he or they may have received under or by virtue of any such Rule so to be established as aforesaid, if it shall appear to the said Court, subject to such Control as aforesaid, that the Permission to such Officer or Servant to quit the Presidency to which he shall belong hath been improperly granted or obtained; and such Sum as the said Court, subject to such Control as aforesaid, shall direct such Officer or Servant, or the Representatives of such Officer or Servant, to refund, shall be a Debt due to the said Company, and shall be recoverable by them in any Court in like Manner as any Debt may now or hereafter shall be recovered by them.

CAP. XLVIII.

An Act to appoint a Second Commissioner of Bankrupt in Ireland; and to amend an Act passed in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend the Laws relating to Bankrupts in Ireland. [12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament in the Sixth Year of the Reign of His late ⁶ Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend 6&7W.4.c.14. " the Laws relating to Bankrupts in Ireland, it was enacted, that • it should be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief ' Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being to ' appoint a fit and proper Person, being a Barrister at Law of " not less than Ten Years standing at the Bar, to be the Com-' missioner in all Commissions of Bankrupt to be issued pur-* suant to the said recited Act, and to be called the Commissioner · of Bankrupt, which Commissioner so to be appointed should ' hold his Office during good Behaviour; and that all Commis-⁴ sions of Bankrupt issued under the Great Seal of that Part of ' the United Kingdom called Ireland, by virtue of said recited 'Act, should be issued to the said Commissioner; and that ' there should be paid and payable out of the Monies standing to the Bankruptcy and Compensation Fund Account to the · Commissioner of Bankrupt to be appointed by virtue of said recited Act the yearly Sum of One thousand five hundred · Pounds by Four Quarterly Payments as therein mentioned : And whereas John Macan Esquire, one of Her Majesty's " Counsel at Law, was duly appointed the Commissioner of ⁶ Bankrupt under the said recited Act, and it has been found * that the Business of the Court of the said Commissioner of · Bankrupt and of Matters in Bankruptcy therein cannot be * discharged by One Commissioner, and that the Public Service • requires that a Second Commissioner of Bankrupt should be " appointed for the due Discharge of said Business:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Her Majesty passing of this Act it shall and may be lawful for Her Majesty, Second Com Her Heirs and Successors, by Commission under the Great missioner. Seal of Ireland, to appoint a fit and proper Person, being a Barrister at Law of not less than Ten Years standing at the Bar, to be a Commissioner of Bankrupt in Ireland, and to be called the Second Commissioner of Bankrupt, which said Second Commissioner so to be appointed shall hold his Office during good Behaviour, notwithstanding the Demise of Her Majesty (whom God long preserve) or any of Her Heirs and Successors: Provided always, that it may be lawful for Her Majesty, Her Y 2 Heirs

Oath of Second Commissioner.

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All Commissions to be issued to both.

Full Power to either Commissioner to act alone.

The Second Commissioner to have all the Powers, &c. of Commissioner under 6 & 7 W. 4. c. 14.

Her Majesty may appoint First Commissioner when Vacancy may occur.

First Commissioner to hold his Office notwithstanding Demise of Her Majesty.

upon the Address of both Houses of Parliament. II. And be it enacted, That such Second Commissioner, before he shall be capable of acting in the Execution of any of the Powers and Authorities given him by virtue of this Act and the said recited Act, shall take the Oath in the said recited Act contained and directed to be taken by the Commissioner of Bankrupt under the said recited Act; and that all Commissions of Bankrupt to be issued under the Great Seal of that Part of the United Kingdom called Ireland shall be issued to both said Commissioners; provided however, that each of the said Commissioners shall have full Power, Jurisdiction, and Authority to proceed in the Execution of any Commission in the Absence of the other, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if such Commission was directed to him alone; and every Act of any One Commissioner in the Absence of the other shall be as valid as if done by both, save only that it shall not be lawful for any One Commissioner without the Consent of the other to

Heirs and Successors, to remove such Second Commissioner

rescind any Order made by the other when sitting alone. III. And be it enacted, That the said Second Commissioner to be appointed under this Act shall have, as well in all Commissions now subsisting as in those to be hereafter issued, all and every the Rights, Powers, Jurisdiction, and Authority, and be subject to all the Duties, of any Commissioner appointed or to be appointed under the said recited Act, and that all and every the Enactments, Clauses, and Provisions of the said recited Act shall extend and be applied to the said Second Commissioner of Bankrupt, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, as fully and effectually as if such Second Commissioner were appointed under the said recited Act.

IV. And be it further enacted, That upon the Death, Resignation, or Removal of the First Commissioner already appointed or to be appointed under the Powers of the said Act it shall not be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being to appoint any Person to be the First Commissioner in place of such First Commissioner so dying, resigning, or removed, but it shall and may be lawful for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, by Commission under the Great Seal of Ireland, to appoint a fit and proper Person, being a Barrister at Law of not less than Ten Years standing at the Bar, to be a Commissioner of Bankrupt in Ireland, and to be called the First Commissioner of Bankrupt, and to exercise all the Duties, and to have all the Rights, Incidents, and Privileges, specified in the said recited Act with respect to the Commissioner of Bankrupt whom the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being were by the said recited Act authorized to appoint.

V. And be it further enacted, That the First Commissioner already appointed, or any other First Commissioner appointed upon his Death, Resignation, or Removal, shall hold his Office notwithstanding the Demise of Her Majesty (whom God long preserve) or any of Her Heirs and Successors, and shall not be removed 1837.

removed by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being, any Law or Statute to the contrary notwithstanding: Provided always, that it may be lawful for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to remove such First Commissioner or such other Commissioner upon the Address of both Houses of Parliament.

VI. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Salary of 1,5001. Appointment of said Second Commissioner there shall be paid to be paid to the Second to him and his Successors in Office, out of the Monies standing Commissioner. to the Bankruptcy and Compensation Fund Account, the yearly Sum of One thousand five hundred Pounds, the which said Sum shall be paid at the same Times and in like Manner as the Salary provided by said recited Act is directed to be paid to the Commissioner thereby appointed; and the Commissioner appointed by virtue of this Act, or his Executors and Administrators, shall be entitled to the like proportional Part of his Salary, in the event of his Removal, Resignation, or Death, as is provided by said recited Act for said Commissioner thereby appointed.

VII. And be it enacted, That in lieu of the Fee of Three 4. to be paid Pounds Sterling payable by the said recited Act for every for every Sitting Sitting under any Commission there shall be paid for every Commissioners. Sitting under any Commission before either of said Commissioners the Sum of Four Pounds Sterling, to be paid or abated as in said recited Act is provided with reference to the said former Fee of Three Pounds.

VIII. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for Power to apthe Lord Chancellor of Ireland, if he shall think it necessary for the proper Discharge of the Business of the Court of said Commissioners, to appoint some proper Person to act as Assistant Registrar of said Court, and to direct that a Salary not exceeding Three hundred Pounds per Annum shall be paid to him out of the said Bankruptcy and Compensation Fund, and from Time to Time to remove such Assistant Registrar if he shall think fit, and on his Removal, or on his Resignation or Death, to appoint another Person in his Place.

IX. ' And whereas it is by the said recited Act enacted, that Repeal of Pro-• any Person or Persons acting as Messenger or Messengers • and who shall issue any Commission of Bankruptcy, or when • issue any commission of Bankruptcy, or when ' issued out shall act as Agent in such Commission, shall missions of from such Time be considered incapable for ever after of Bankruptcy, &c., · holding the Office of Messenger in any Commission of Bank-' rupt;' be it enacted, That the said last-recited Enactment be and the same is hereby repealed.

X. And be it enacted, That if any Messenger or Messengers Provision in shall sue out or prosecute any Commission of Bankrupt, or shall lieu thereof. act as Agent in any Commission of Bankruptcy, he or they shall from such Time be incapable for ever after of holding the Office of Messenger in any Commission of Bankrupt; and every Messenger shall, before the Commissioner executes his Warrant of Seizure to him, take before the Commissioner the Oath required by the said recited Act.

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point Assistant Registrar.

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Cap. 48, 49. Commissioner of Bankrupt, Ireland. 1 VICT.

Attorney General may sue for Penalties for taking un-

Persons imprisoned under Provisions of Acts for Riots, &c. in Court, not to be prosecuted by Attorney General.

Commission not to abate on Demise of the Crown.

Commence. ment of Act.

Act may be altered.

11 G. 4. c. 17.

XI. And be it further enacted, That if any Person shall take any Fee, Emolument, Gratuity, Sum of Money, or Thing of Value contrary to the Provisions of the said recited Act, such lawful Fees, &c. Person so offending shall be subject and liable to all the Penalties and Forfeitures enacted by the said Act, and may be prosecuted either by Information at the Suit of Her Majesty's Attorney General or by Criminal Information before Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, or by Indictment.

XII. And be it further enacted, That no Person who under the Provisions of the said recited Act and of this Act shall be punished or liable to be punished by Imprisonment for Riot or Disturbance in any Court held by any Commissioner or Commissioners of Bankrupt, or for interrupting in any such Court the Commissioner in the Exercise of his Duty, shall be prosecuted for such Offence or Offences by Information at the Suit of Her Majesty's Attorney General or by Criminal Information before Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench, or by Indictment; any thing in the said recited Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

XIII. And be it enacted, That no Commission of Bankrupt heretofore issued, or which shall hereafter be issued, shall be deemed to have abated or shall abate by reason of the Demise of the Crown, or by the Removal, Death, or Resignation of the Commissioner or Commissioners named therein; and when the Commissioner or Commissioners named in any such Commission shall die, resign, or be removed his or their Successor and Successors in Office for the Time being shall execute such Commission.

XIV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect on and from and after the Fifteenth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and that this Act may be repealed, altered, or amended during this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. XLIX.

An Act to amend certain Laws of Excise relating to the Duties on Malt made in the United Kingdom.

[12th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the 7 & 8 G.4. c. 52. ' Fourth, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend certain Laws e relating to the Revenue of Excise on Malt made in the United Kingdom, and for amending the Laws relating to Brewers in ' Ireland, and to the Allowance in respect of the Malt Duty on " Spirits made in Scotland and Ireland from Malt only: And • whereas an Act was passed in the Eleventh Year of the Reign · of His said Majesty for altering and amending the said Act: And whereas it is expedient to alter and amend the said · recited Acts:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament

Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That So much of so much of the said recited Act passed in the Eleventh Year ¹¹ G.4. c. 17. of the Reign of His said Majesty as enacts, "that there shall keeping of be delivered by the proper Officer of Excise to every Maltster Barley Books or Maker of Malt a Book prepared for such Purposes as herein- by Maltsters after mentioned, to be kept by such Maltster or Maker of Malt in some public and open Part of his or her entered Premises, for the Inspection of the Officers of Excise; and every Maltster and Maker of Malt shall, on the same Day on which he shall steep any Corn or Grain to be made into Malt, and within Three Hours after any Corn or Grain shall have been covered with Water for the Purpose of wetting or steeping the same to be made into Malt, enter in such Book and in the proper Columns to be prepared for such Purposes respectively a true and particular Account of the Quantity in Bushels of the Corn or Grain so wetted or steeped, and shall enter against and immediately opposite to every such Entry the particular Day and Hour of the Day on and at which such Corn or Grain was so wetted or steeped and covered with Water, and shall on the next Survey of the Officer of Excise produce to such Officer the said Book, with the said Entries therein, for his Information; and if any Maltster or Maker of Malt shall not keep such Book, or shall neglect or refuse to make any such Entry as aforesaid, or to produce such Book with such Entries therein to the Officer of Excise on his next Survey, or shall convey away or conceal the same, or shall destroy or tear out any Leaf thereof, or cancel, obliterate, destroy, or alter any Entry therein, or make any false Entry therein, or shall refuse to permit any Officer of Excise at any Time to inspect such Book, or to make any Minute therein, or to take any Extract therefrom, as to such Officer shall seem meet, or to remove or take away such Book, leaving a new Book for the like Purpose in lieu thereof, or if any Maltster or Maker of Malt shall have wetted or steeped any greater or less Quantity of Corn or Grain than shall be stated. in the Entry thereof in the said Book, every Maltster or Maker of Malt so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and lose the Sum of Fifty Pounds; provided that no Maltster or Maker of Malt shall be subject to the said Penalty for or by reason of his having steeped or wetted any greater or less Quantity of Corn or Grain than shall be stated in the Entry thereof, if the Quantity wetted shall not be greater or less than the Quantity entered in the Proportion of One Bushel in Twenty," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That in all Cases in the said recited Respecting Acts respectively in which any Maltster or Maker of Malt shall Notices re be required to give any Notice to an Officer of Excise, the Time quired to be for giving such Notice shall be the same as is required to be Maltsters. given where the Malthouse is situate in a City or Market Town, or in the Suburbs thereof, notwithstanding the Malthouse of the Maltster or Maker of Malt giving such Notice may not be so situated.

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III. And

So much of 7 & 8G.4. o. 52. as empowers Officers to turn over and lay level again Corn or Grain which they may suspect to have been forced together in the Cistern or Couch Frame, &c. repealed.

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Act of the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of His said Majesty as enacts, "that if any Officer of Excise shall have Reason to believe or shall suspect that the Corn or Grain making into Malt in any Cistern or Couch Frame has been trodden or forced together, it shall be lawful for such Officer and any Person or Persons in aid and assistance of such Officer, in the Presence of the Maltster or Maker of Malt or of his or her Servant, if such Maltster or Servant shall think fit to be present, to turn over all such Corn or Grain, either by throwing all such Corn or Grain from and out of the Cistern or Couch Frame, and returning the same into the Cistern or Couch Frame from which it shall have been thrown, and laying the same level again therein, or by turning over all such Corn or Grain in such Cistern or Couch Frame and laying the same level again therein, or by throwing out any Part of such Corn or Grain from such Cistern or Couch Frame, and turning over so much thereof as shall be left remaining therein, and returning so much of such Corn or Grain as shall have been thrown out into the Cistern or Couch Frame from which the same shall have been thrown, and laying the whole of such Corn or Grain level again in such Cistern or Couch Frame, as to such Officer shall seem fit; and every Maltster or Maker of Malt, together with his or her Servants, shall give such Aid and Assistance to such Officer and to such Person or Persons as aforesaid in such Behalf as aforesaid as such Officer or other Person may request; and if any Increase shall be found in the Gauge or Quantity of such Corn or Grain, after being turned over and laid level again in the Cistern or Couch Frame in any such Manner as aforesaid, over and above the former Gauge, in any greater Proportion than that of One Bushel in every Twenty Bushels of such Corn or Grain, the Increase so found as aforesaid shall be deemed conclusive Evidence that such Corn or Grain had been trodden or forced together; and if any Maltster or Maker of Malt shall refuse to aid and assist any Officer of Excise, or any Person or Persons acting in aid and assistance of such Officer as aforesaid, every such Maltster or Maker of Malt so offending shall for every such Offence forfeit and lose the Sum of One hundred Pounds; provided always nevertheless, that it shall be lawful to prove by any other or indifferent Evidence than that above mentioned that such Corn or Grain had been trodden or forced together," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

III. And be it enacted. That so much of the said recited

So much of 11 G. 4. c. 17. as specifies what Increase shall be Evidence of treading or forcing together repealed.

IV. And be it enacted, That so much of the said recited Act of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His said Majesty as recites the said Provision herein-before last repealed, and enacts, " that when any Officer of Excise shall in manner authorized by the said recited Act turn over all such Corn or Grain, either by throwing all such Corn or Grain from and out of the Cistern or Couch Frame, and returning the same into the Cistern or Couch Frame from which it shall have been thrown and laying the same level again therein, or by turning over all such

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such Corn or Grain in such Cistern or Couch Frame and laying the same level again therein, or by throwing out any Part of such Corn or Grain from such Cistern or Couch Frame, and turning over so much thereof as shall be left remaining therein, and returning so much of such Corn or Grain as shall have been thrown out into the Cistern or Couch Frame from which the same shall have been thrown, and laying the whole of such Corn or Grain level again in such Cistern or Couch Frame, as to such Officer shall seem fit; and if any Increase shall be found in the Gauge or Quantity of such Corn or Grain, after being turned over and laid level again in the Cistern or Couch Frame in any such Manner as aforesaid, over and above the former Gauge, in any greater Proportion than that of One Bushel in every Twenty Bushels of such Corn or Grain, the Increase so found is in and by the said recited Act to be deemed conclusive Evidence that such Corn or Grain had been trodden or forced together: And whereas it may happen that when Corn or Grain has been emptied from the Cistern into the Couch Frame more than Twelve Hours the Increase thereof from the Swell may amount to One Bushel in Twenty without Fraud, and it is expedient to alter such Proportion so far as respects such Corn or Grain in the Couch Frame; be it therefore enacted, That when any Officer of Excise shall, in manner authorized by the said recited Act, turn over and level again in any Couch Frame any Corn or Grain after the Expiration of Twelve Hours from the Time when such Corn or Grain shall have been emptied from the Cistern or Cisterns into such Couch Frame, and any Increase shall be found in the Gauge or Quantity of such Corn or Grain, after being turned over and laid level again in the Couch Frame in any such Manner as aforesaid, over and above the former Gauge, no such Increase shall be deemed conclusive Evidence that such Corn or Grain had been trodden or forced together unless such Increase shall be in any greater Proportion than Six Bushels and One Quarter of a Bushel in every One hundred Bushels of such Corn or Grain," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

V. And be it enacted, That when any Officer of Excise shall Officer of suspect that the Corn or Grain making into Malt in any Cistern Excise suspector Couch Frame has been trodden or forced together, or that or Couch to be the Corn or Grain so making into Malt therein is so hard, trodden or close, and compact as it could not have been unless the same forced together, had been by some Means or other trodden or forced together may have the same turned out in such Cistern or Couch Frame, it shall be lawful for such and returned. Officer to direct the Maltster or Maker of Malt, or his Workmen and Servants, to throw all such Corn or Grain from and out of the Cistern or Couch Frame, and for such Officer, and any Person or Persons in his Aid or Assistance, which Aid and Assistance the Maltster or his Workmen and Servants shall also give if required, to return all such Corn or Grain into the Cistern or Couch from which the same shall have been thrown, and to lay the whole of such Corn or Grain level again in such Cistern

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What Increase to be deemed conclusive Evidence of treading or forcing together. Cistern or Couch; and if any Increase shall be found in the Gauge or Quantity of such Corn or Grain, after being returned into and laid level again in the Cistern or Couch Frame, over and above the former Gauge taken before the same was thrown out, in any greater Proportions than those of Five Bushels in every One hundred Bushels previously to such Corn or Grain having been emptied Eight Hours from the Cistern, or Six Bushels in every One hundred Bushels if such Corn or Grain shall have been emptied from the Cistern Eight Hours and not emptied Sixteen Hours, or Seven Bushels in every One hundred Bushels if such Corn or Grain shall have been emptied from the Cistern Sixteen Hours or upwards, the Increase so respectively found as aforesaid shall be deemed conclusive Evidence of such Corn or Grain having been trodden or forced together, and the Court or Justices before whom such Evidence shall be given shall thereupon convict the Maltster or Maker of Malt in the Penalty imposed by the said recited Act of the Seventh and Eighth Years of His said Majesty's Reign; and every Maltster or Maker of Malt who, or whose Servants or Workmen shall, when directed by any Officer of Excise, refuse to throw out any Corn or Grain making into Malt from any Cistern or Couch, or to aid or assist, if required so to do, in returning the same into the Cistern or Couch from which the same shall have been thrown, shall forfeit One hundred Pounds: Provided always, that it shall be lawful to prove by any other or different Evidence that such Corn or Grain had been trodden or forced together.

VI. And be it enacted, That so much of the said recited Act of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His said Majesty as, after reciting that every Maltster and Maker of Malt is by the said recited Act of the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of His said Majesty restricted from wetting, watering, or sprinkling any Corn or Grain making into Malt before the Expiration of Twelve Days or Two hundred and eighty-eight Hours after the same shall have been emptied or taken from or out of the Cistern, and that it is expedient to allow, under certain Regulations, Maltsters and Makers of Malt to water and sprinkle Corn or Grain making into Malt before the Expiration of Twelve Days or Two hundred and eighty-eight Hours, enacts "that it shall and may be lawful for any Maltster or Maker of Malt who shall have kept and continued any Corn or Grain making into Malt covered with Water in the Cistern for the full Space of Fifty Hours from the Time of such Corn or Grain being first wetted or steeped, and who shall not at the same Time have in the same Malthouse any other Corn or Grain on the Floor which shall have been kept and covered with Water for any less Space than Fifty Hours from the Time of the same being first wet or steeped, to wet, water, or sprinkle any such Corn or Grain at any Time after the Expiration of Eight Days or One hundred and ninety-two Hours after the same shall have been emptied or taken out of the Cistern; provided

So much of 11 G.4. c. 17. as allows Maltsters to sprinkle Grain which has been wetted Fifty Hours, repealed.

provided always, that every Maltster or Maker of Malt who shall wet, water, or sprinkle any Corn or Grain making into Malt contrary to the Regulations aforesaid shall be subject and liable to the Penalty in and by the said recited Act imposed for wetting, watering, or sprinkling Corn or Grain before the Expiration of Twelve Days or Two hundred and eighty-eight Hours," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Maltsters may Maltster or Maker of Malt who shall have kept and continued sprinkle Grain any Corn or Grain making into Malt covered with Water in the Hours under Cistern for the full Space of Fifty Hours from the Time of certain Regusuch Corn or Grain being first wetted or steeped, and who shall not at the same Time have in the same Malthouse any other Corn or Grain in the Couch or on the Floor which shall have been kept covered with Water in the Cistern for any less Space than Fifty Hours from the Time of the same having been first wetted or steeped, to wet, water, or sprinkle any such Corn or Grain at the Expiration of Six Days or One hundred and forty-four Hours after the same shall have been emptied or taken out of the Cistern, on giving Notice to the Officer of Excise of his Intention to wet, water, or sprinkle such Corn or Grain Twenty-four Hours before wetting, watering, or sprinkling the same : Provided always, that every Maltster or Maker of Malt who shall wet, water, or sprinkle any Corn or Grain making into Malt before the Expiration of Twelve Days or Two hundred and eighty-eight Hours, except under the Regulations and on giving such Notice as aforesaid, shall be subject and liable to the Penalty imposed by the said recited Act of the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of His said Majesty for such Offence.

VIII. And be it enacted, That so much of the said recited So much of Act of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His said Majesty as as relates to enacts "that whenever the Duty upon Malt shall be charged Allowances to by Gauge of the Corn or Grain taken whilst the same is in a be made on State of Operation or in Process of making into Malt, such or Grain making Allowances shall be made upon such Gauges as are therein-after into Malt for mentioned; that is to say, upon every Gauge thereof taken by the Charge of the Officer of Excise in the Cistern wherein the Corn or Grain is wetting or steeping to be made into Malt, during the Time which such Corn or Grain shall be kept and continued in such Cistern, or in the Couch Frame into which such Corn or Grain shall be emptied, or on the Floor, during the Period for which such Corn or Grain is by this Act before required to be kept and continued in such Couch Frame, and directed to be deemed in Couch, and gauged and taken account of as in such Couch, and Allowance shall be made by such Officer of Seventeen Bushels and One Half Bushel in every One hundred Bushels of the whole Quantity of the Corn or Grain so found by such Gauge; and upon every Gauge taken by the Officer of Excise of such Corn or Grain on the Floor after the Expiration of Twenty-six Hours, if such Corn or Grain shall have been previously gauged and taken account of in the Couch Frame,

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Frame, and if such Corn or Grain shall not have been so previously gauged then after the Expiration of Thirty Hours and before the Expiration of Seventy-two Hours from the Time when such Corn or Grain was emptied or taken from or out of the Cistern, an Allowance shall be made of One Third of the whole Quantity of the Corn or Grain so found by such Gauge as last aforesaid; and upon every Gauge afterwards taken by the Officer of Excise of such Corn or Grain before the same shall be dried an Allowance shall be made by such Officer of One Half of the whole Quantity of such Corn or Grain so found by such Gauge as last aforesaid; and the Duty of Excise on Malt when charged upon the Corn or Grain in a State of Operation or in Process of making into Malt as aforesaid shall be charged on the best of the several Gauges so taken as aforesaid after such Allowances shall have been so made thereon respectively as aforesaid," shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

IX. And be it enacted, That in lieu of the Allowances hereby repealed there shall be made upon the Gauges of Corn or Grain taken whilst the same is in Operation or in Process of making into Malt the Allowances following; that is to say, upon every Gauge thereof taken by the Officer of Excise in the Cistern wherein the Corn or Grain is wetting or steeping to be made into Malt, during the Time that such Corn or Grain shall be kept and continued in such Cistern, or in the Couch Frame into which such Corn or Grain shall be emptied, or on the Floor, during the Period for which such Corn or Grain is by the said recited Act of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His said Majesty required to be kept and continued in such Couch Frame, or directed to be deemed in Couch, and gauged and taken account of as in Couch, an Allowance shall be made by such Officer of Eighteen Bushels and One Half Bushel in every One hundred Bushels of the whole Quantity of the Corn or Grain so found by such Gauge; and upon every Gauge taken by the Officer of Excise of such Corn or Grain on the Floor or on the Kiln after the Expiration of Twenty-six Hours if such Corn or Grain shall have been previously gauged and taken an Account of in the Couch Frame, or if such Corn or Grain shall not have been so previously gauged then after the Expiration of Thirty Hours, an Allowance shall be made by such Officer of One Half of the whole Quantity of such Corn or Grain found by such Gauge before the said Corn or Grain shall be wholly dried off and removed from the Kiln; and the Duty of Excise on Malt, when charged by Gauge upon the Corn or Grain in a State of Operation or in Process of making into Malt, shall be charged on the best of the several Gauges so taken as aforesaid after such Allowances shall have been so made thereon respectively as aforesaid.

X. And whereas by the said recited Act of the Seventh 4 and Eighth Years of the Reign of His said Majesty no Maltster 4 or Maker of Malt is allowed at one and the same Time to 5 have more than Five Floors or Quantities of Corn or Grain 6 making

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Maltster may have 6 Floors, including the Couch and Kiln, in operation at the same Time. 1897.

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" making into Malt in the Couch Frame or on the Floor or Kiln, or all or any of them, wetted or steeped in and arising ^e from, or pretended to have been wetted or steeped in and to • have arisen from, or denoted by its Place of Deposit in the • Malthouse to have been wetted or steeped in and to have ' arisen from, one and the same Cistern, or one or more Cis-• terns emptied into one and the same Couch Frame, under a · Penalty of Two hundred Pounds;' be it further provided and enacted, That no Maltster or Maker of Malt shall incur or be subject to the said Penalty for or by reason of his having at the same Time Six Floors or Quantities of Corn or Grain making into Malt in the Couch Frame or on the Floor or Kiln, or all or any of them, wetted or steeped in and arising from one and the same Cistern or from one or more Cisterns emptied into one and the same Couch Frame.

XI. And be it enacted, That every Officer of Excise surveying Officer to enter any Maltster or Maker of Malt shall in respect of every wetting on the Specimen the Number of or steeping of Corn or Grain to be made into Malt, at his next Bushelscharged Visit after the Quantity of Corn or Grain so wetted or steeped on each steeping. shall have been dried off into Malt and removed from the Kiln, enter on the Specimen the Number of Bushels of Malt with which the Maltster or Maker of Malt shall be chargeable on such wetting or steeping according to the best Gauge at any Time had on such Corn or Grain, showing in such Entry whether such Charge has arisen from the Cistern or Couch or the Floor or Kila.

XII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and Commencetake effect on the Tenth Day of October One thousand eight ment of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

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An Act to facilitate the Conveyance of Lands and Buildings for the Purposes of Two Acts passed respectively in the Fifth and Sixth Years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth.

[15th July 1837.]

W/HEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, · intituled An Act for the Amendment and better Administration of 48.5W.4. c.76. 4 the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales: And • whereas another Act was passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign · of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act to facilitate the Con- 5&6W.4.c.69 · veyance of Workhouses and other Property of Parishes and of . Incorporations or Unions of Parishes in England and Wales : • And whereas Doubts are entertained as to whether the herein recited Acts respectively apply to Lands or Buildings or other · Hereditaments of Copyhold or Customary Tenure; and it is expedient that such Doubts should be removed, and that the Provisions of the said Acts should be extended in some respects? Be it therefore enacted and declared by the Queen's most Excellent

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cellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Provisions of the said herein recited Acts apply to and hold Lands, &c. comprise Lands and Buildings and other Hereditaments of Copyhold or Customary Tenure, as well as Lands, Buildings, and other Hereditaments of Freehold Tenure.

II. And be it enacted, That whenever any Contract shall be entered into for the Purposes of the said recited Acts or either of them, or of this Act, respecting any Lands, Buildings, or other Hereditaments of Copyhold or Customary Tenure, it shall be lawful for the Poor Law Commissioners to direct that the Difference in Value of such Lands or Buildings or other Hereditaments, as of Copyhold or Customary Tenure, and the Freehold or Fee Simple thereof, including therein the Value of any Fine, Heriot, or Customary Due, Payment, or Rent, or any Service capable of being valued, in respect of such Land or Building or other Hereditaments, shall be ascertained by such Means as they shall think fit; and that such Difference in Value when so ascertained shall be paid to or invested for the Use and Benefit of the Lord of the Manor of which such Lands or Buildings or other Hereditaments shall be Parcel, or such other Person as would be entitled to the Fines payable upon Death or Alienation of the same, or to such Heriot, Dues, Payment, Rent, or Service respectively; and upon and from the making of such Payment or Investment such Lands or Buildings or other Heroditaments shall thenceforth be deemed enfranchised and for ever discharged from every Fine, Customary or Copyhold, Heriot, Due, Payment, Rent, Suit, or Service; and such Lands and Buildings and other Hereditaments shall thenceforth be and remain of the Tenure of Free and Common Socage: Provided always, that if any such Lord of the Manor or other Person be under any legal Disability, the Powers of the said recited Acts, and of every other Act for building, hiring, or purchasing Workhouses, or for acquiring Lands for Workhouse Purposes, enabling Persons under Disability to convey or otherwise dispose of and deal with Property, shall apply to such Lord of the Manor or other Person as amply and fully as if the Case had been expressly provided for in such Acts or any of them: Provided also, that if such Lord of the Manor or other Person be dissatisfied with such Valuation, and shall within Seven Days after a Tender made to him of the Amount thereof, or after Notice left at his last known Place of Residence, or with his known Agent, of such Amount being ready to be paid to him or invested as aforesaid, send Notice by the Post to the Poor Law Commissioners of such Dissatisfaction, it shall be lawful for the Poor Law Commissioners to direct a further Valuation to be made, at or within such Period as they may see fit, by Two Valuers, one to be named by the Poor Law Commissioners, and . the other by such Lord of the Manor or other Person, which Two Persons so named shall previous to their entering on their Valuation name a Third Valuer to be referred to in case they disagree, 10

disagree, and the Award of such Three Valuers, or any Two of them, shall be binding on all Parties; and on Payment or Investment, under the Provisions of the said recited Acts or any of them, or of this Act, of the Amount of such last-mentioned Valuation, such Lands or Buildings and other Hereditaments shall thenceforth be deemed enfranchised and discharged in manner aforesaid, and be and remain of the Tenure of Free and Common Socage: Provided always, that it shall be lawful for any Overseers, Guardians, Lord of the Manor, or other Person to complete any voluntary Agreement for the Purchase and Enfranchisement of any Copyhold or Customary Lands, Buildings, or other Hereditaments, under the Direction and with the Approbation of the Poor Law Commissioners, in like Manner as if such Agreement had been originally made under this Act; any thing in the said Acts or either of them, or in this Act, to the contrary notwithstanding; and in every such Case, if any Lord of the Manor or other Person be under legal Disability, the Power of the said recited Acts and of any other Act for building, hiring, or purchasing Workhouses, or for acquiring Lands for Workhouse Purposes, enabling Persons to convey or otherwise dispose of or deal with Property, shall apply to such Lord of the Manor or other Person as amply and fully as if the Case had been expressly provided for in such Acts or any of them.

III. And be it enacted, That when and so soon as any such Steward of III. And be it enacted, i hat which and so soon as any busice Manor to enter Enfranchisement as aforesaid shall have been made it shall be Manor to enter Certificate on lawful for the Steward of the Manor whereof the same Lands Rolls of the or Buildings were Parcel, and he is hereby required, on Receipt Manor, and to of a Certificate of such Valuation being made and Enfranchise- furnish a Parchment effected, under the Hands and Seal of the Poor Law thereof to the Commissioners, to enter such Certificate on the Rolls or Books Poor Law of the said Manor, and to furnish a Copy of such Entry, written Commissioners. on Parchment, to the Poor Law Commissioners, or to such Person or Persons as they may direct, and to certify the same to be a true Extract under his Hand; and such Certificate or a Copy thereof under the Seal of the Poor Law Commissioners shall thenceforth be Evidence of such Enfranchisement.

IV. And be it enacted, That all Conveyances or Instruments Mode of by way of Sale or Exchange, or Assignment or Security or Conveyance. Transfer, to be made under the Authority of the said recited Acts or either of them, or of this Act, may be made in such Form as the Poor Law Commissioners shall by any Order or Orders signed by them and sealed with their Common Seal direct or approve of, or as near thereto as the Number of Parties, the Nature of the Interests, and the Circumstances of each Case will admit, and shall be valid and effectual in the Law, without Livery of Seisin being made, or any Bargain and Sale to vest Possession being executed, and without being enrolled.

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Lee 1 + 2 V i 88	An Act to authorize a further Issue of Exchequer Bills for Public Works and Fisheries and Employ- ment of the Poor, and to amend the Acts relating thereto. [15th July 1837.]
7 G. s. c. s4.	WHEREAS an Act passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act to authorize the Issue of Exchequer Bills and the Advance of Money out of the Consolidated Fund to a limited Amount, for the carrying on of Public Works and Fisheries in
57 G. S. c. 124.	 the United Kingdom and Employment of the Poor in Great Britain, in manner therein mentioned: And whereas another Act passed in the same Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to amend an Act made in the present Session of Parliament, for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills and the Advance of
1 G. 4. c. 60.	 Money for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries and the Employment of the Poor: And whereas another Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend and continue Two Acts passed in the Fifty-seventh Year of His late Majesty King George the Third,
	 for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills and the Advance of Money for carrying on of Public Works and Fisheries and Employment of the Poor, and to extend the Powers of the Com- missioners for executing the said Acts in Great Britain: And whereas another Act passed in the First and Second Years of
1 & 2 G. 4. c. 111.	 the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to empower the Commissioners in Great Britain for the Execution of several Acts for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills for carrying on of Public Works and Fisheries and Employ- ment of the Poor to extend the Time for the Payment of certain
3 G. 4. c. 86.	 Advances under the said Acts: And whereas another Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of His said Majesty, intituled An Act to amend Two Acts of the Fifty-seventh Year of His late Majesty and the First Year of His present Majesty, for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills and the Advance of Money for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries and Employ-
4 G. 4. c. 63.	 ment of the Poor, and to authorize a further Issue of Exchequer Bills for the Purposes of the said Acts: And whereas another Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act to authorize the Advance of Money by the Commissioners under several Acts for the Issue of Exchequer Bills for Public Works, for the building, rebuilding, enlarging,
5 G. 4. c. 36.	 or repairing of Gaols in England : And whereas another Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act to amend and render more effectual the several Acts for the issuing of Exchequer Bills for Public Works : And whereas another Act passed in the said last-mentioned Year,
5 G. 4. c. 77.	 intituled An Act to amend the Acts for the Issue of Exchequer Bills for Public Works: And whereas another Act passed in
6 G. 4. c. \$5.	• the Sixth Year of His said late Majesty's Reign, intituled An 9 Act

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Act to render more effectual the several Acts for authorizing " Advances for carrying on Public Works, so far as relates to · Ireland: And whereas another Act passed in the Seventh ' Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act 7 G.4. e. so. • to amend the several Acts for authorizing Advances for carrying • on Public Works, and to extend the Provisions thereof in certain · Cases : And whereas another Act passed in the Seventh and · Eighth Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An Act to amend an Act of the First Year of His present Majesty, 7&86.4. c.12. . for the Advance of Money for carrying on Public Works in Ire-· land: And whereas another Act passed in the said last-men-⁴ tioned Year, intituled An Act for the further Amendment and 7&8 G. 4. c. 47. • Extension of the Powers of the several Acts authorizing Advances ' for carrying on Public Works : And whereas another Act passed in the First and Second Years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend several Acts 1&2W.4. c.24. e passed for authorizing the Issue of Exchequer Bills and the • Advance of Money for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries • and Employment of the Poor, and to authorize a further Issue of Exchequer Bills for the Purposes of the said Acts : And • whereas another Act passed in the Third and Fourth Years • of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to amend 3&4W.4.c. 32. • the several Acts authorizing Advances for carrying on Public " Works : And whereas another Act passed in the Fourth and · Fifth Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled 4 An Act to amend several Acts for authorizing the Issue of Exche- 42.5W.4. c. 72. quer Bills for carrying on Public Works and Fisheries and Employ-• ment of the Poor, and to authorize a further Issue of Exchequer · Bills for the Purposes of the said Acts : And whereas sundry · Advances have been made by the Commissioners appointed for the said recited Acts for the Purposes and under the Regulations in the said Acts respectively contained, and Appli-• cations have been made and are by several Acts authorized • to be made to the said Commissioners for other Advances; • which the Funds remaining at their Disposal are insufficient • to meet; and it is therefore expedient that further Advances • of Exchequer Bills should be placed at the Disposal of the said Commissioners, for the like Purposes and subject to • the like Terms and Conditions mentioned in the said recited 4 Acts or any of them, or in any Act or Acts of Parliament ' having reference thereto, except so far as such Terms and · Conditions may be altered or extended by this Act:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by Warrant or Warrants under Her Royal Sign Manual, to authorize the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Treasury to Britain and Ireland, now or for the Time being, or any Three issue Excheor more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United quer Bills not exceeding Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the Time being, to 500,000 Z cause

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cause or direct any Number of Exchequer Bills to be made out at Her Majesty's Exchequer in *Great Britain*, not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds, in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions (except where other Directions for making out the same are contained and particularly expressed in this Act), as in and by an Act passed in the Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled *An Act for regulating the issuing and paying* off of Exchequer Bills, are enacted and prescribed.

off of Exchequer Bills, are enacted and prescribed. II. And be it enacted, That all the Powers, Authorities, Regulations, Clauses, Provisoes, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act of the Forty-eighth Year of His said Majesty King George the Third shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the said several Clauses or Provisoes had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That the said Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Three-pence Halfpenny *per Centum per Diem* upon or in respect of the whole of the Money contained therein, and shall be made payable at the Periods herein-after mentioned.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out by virtue of this Act, or so many of them as shall from Time to Time remain undischarged and uncancelled after the respective Days on which they shall become due and payable, shall after that Time pass and be current to all Receivers and Collectors in *Great Britain* of the Customs, Excise, or any Revenue, Supply, Aid, or Tax whatsoever, due or payable to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, and also at the Bank of *England* to the Account of Her Majesty's Exchequer, from the said Receivers or Collectors, or from any Person or Persons, Bodies Politic or Corporate whatsoever, making any Payments there to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors.

V. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act all Exchequer Bills which at any Time after the passing of this Act shall be made out and issued in pursuance of this Act, and advanced for any of the Purposes mentioned in the said recited Acts or any of them, or in this Act, shall be made payable at such Periods as shall be fixed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to order and direct the Payment, out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, of all Exchequer Bills issued under the Authority of this Act.

VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more

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Powers of recited Act 48 G. 3. c. 1. to extend to Exchequer Bills to be made out under this Act.

Bills to bear an Interest not exceeding Three-pence Halfpenny per Cent;

and to be current to all Receivers, &c., and at the Bank.

Treasury to fix Periods at which such Exchequer Bills shall be payable;

and to order Payment of them out of the Consolidated Fund.

Treasury to issue Money to defray the

more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer for the Time being Charges of exein Great Britain, and they are hereby authorized and required, euting recited to issue or advance or cause to be issued and advanced all Act. such Sums of Money, to such Person or Persons and in such Manner and such Proportions as the Commissioners for the Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act, or any Three or more of them, shall by Writing under their Hands desire, out of the said Consolidated Fund, which Sums so to be issued and advanced shall be employed for the Payment of Allowances and defraying all Charges and Expences in the Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act, without any other Account than before the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, and which Money so to be issued shall not be subject to any Tax, Duty, Rate, or Assessment whatsoever imposed by Authority of Parliament.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Governor and Company Bank to conof the Bank of *England* shall and they are hereby required to continue the Account already opened in their Books with the opened with the Commissioners for the Execution of the said recited Acts under Commissioners the Title of "The Commissioners for the Issue of certain Exchequer Bills," and shall carry to the Credit of such Account the several Monies directed to be paid to the Cashiers of the said Bank by the said recited Acts, as well as all Payments to be made under this Act upon such Certificates under the Hands of the said Commissioners as have been heretofore used for such Purpose, as directed by the said recited Acts, or some or one of them, in such and the like Manner in all respects as if the Clauses and Provisoes in the said recited Acts with respect to such Payments and Certificates had been repeated and reenacted in the Body of this Act.

IX. And be it enacted, That all and every Sum and Sums Money paid of Money which shall be paid into the Bank of England to the into the Bank Account of the said Commissioners under and by virtue of the of the Consolisaid recited Acts and this Act shall from Time to Time, imme- dated Fund. diately on such Payments being made to the said Account, be transferred by the Governor and Company of the said Bank of **England** to the Account kept by the said Bank of England with Her Majesty's Exchequer, and when so transferred shall be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

X. And be it enacted, That the several Persons who in and Commissioners by the said recited Acts or any of them are constituted Com- for executing missioners for the Execution of the said Acts, or so many of be Commisthem as shall be living at the Time of the passing of this Act, sioners for exeshall be and they are hereby constituted Commissioners for the cuting this Act. Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act, and all Acts authorized by the said recited Acts and this Act to be done and executed by the said Commissioners may be done and executed by any Three or more of them.

XI. And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners named Commissioners in the said recited Acts or either of them shall, before they to sign the following Ζ2 enter Declaration.

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tinue the Account already recited Acts.

enter upon the Execution of this Act, sign a Declaration to the following Effect :

⁴ I A. B. do declare, That according to the best of my Judgment I will faithfully and impartially execute the several Duties,

• Powers, and Trusts vested in me by an Act, intituled [insert • Title of this Act], acccording to the Tenor and Purport of the

' said Act, the Acts therein recited, and other Acts having ' reference thereto.'

And that such Declaration shall be kept and entered with the other Proceedings of the said Commissioners.

XII. And be it enacted, That when the Commissioners for the Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act shall have determined upon any Amount of Exchequer Bills to be advanced out of the Exchequer Bills authorized to be made out by this Act, the said Commissioners, or any Three or more of them, shall forthwith certify such Amount to the Comptroller General of Her Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster for the Time being, who, on such Certificate or Certificates being deposited in his Office, shall cause and direct to be delivered to the Bearer or Bearers thereof Exchequer Bills to be prepared under the Authority of this Act to such Amount as the said Commissioners shall direct; provided the Total Amount to be issued by virtue of such Certificates shall not at any Time exceed the Amount of Exchequer Bills authorized by this Act; and every Exchequer Bill to be issued by virtue of this Act shall bear Date on the Day on which the said Certificates shall appoint and direct, and shall and may be signed by the Comptroller General of Her Majesty's Exchequer, or in his Name by any Person duly authorized by Law to sign the same.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the Officers by whom such Exchequer Bills shall be delivered shall from Time to Time, upon Requisition of the said Commissioners for the Execution of the said recited Acts and this Act, deliver to them at their Office complete Lists of all the Exchequer Bills made out as aforesaid, specifying the respective Dates and Sums expressed therein, and the Periods appointed for the Payment of the same, and distinguishing therein the Persons to whom and the Numbers of the Certificates by virtue whereof the same were issued respectively.

XIV. And be it enacted, That the said Commissioners, at any Time after the passing of this Act, may lend and advance and apportion or distribute to and amongst any Body or Bodies Politic or Corporate, or any Company or Companies of Proprietors, or Person or Persons, engaged in or desirous of carrying on or interested in any Works of a public Nature, carried on or which may hereafter be carried on under the Authority of Parliament in any Part of *Great Britain*, or for the Encouragement of the Fisheries, or the Support of any Collieries or Mines, or any Trustees or Trustee of Roads or Railways, or any other Person or Persons whomsoever, for any the Purposes mentioned in the said recited Acts or any or 12

Amount of Exchequer Bills advanced to be certified to the Comptroller General of the Exchequer.

Lists of Exchequer Bills made out to be delivered to Commissioners.

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either of them, or this Act, all or any Part of the Sum or Sums in Exchequer Bills to be issued at any Time after the passing of this Act under the Authority of the said recited Acts, or any or either of them, or this Act, upon, under, and subject to the like Terms, Conditions, and Securities as are specified and prescribed by the said recited Acts, or any or either of them, or this Act; and all the Powers and Authorities, Regulations, Restrictions, Clauses, Provisoes, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, and Forfeitures contained in the said recited Acts shall be applied and extended to all Loans advanced and Acts done by the said Commissioners or their Secretary for the Time being, or any Trustees or other Persons, or Bodies Politic, Corporate, or Collegiate, or Companies, in pursuance and execution of this Act, as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if the said several Powers, Authorities, Regulations, Restrictions, Clauses, and Provisoes, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, and Forfeitures, had been particularly and severally and separately repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act, except only so far as the same are altered, amended, and enlarged by this present Act.

XV. And be it enacted, That all the Clauses, Powers, Pro- Powers, &c. of visces, Directions, Regulations, Authorities, Restrictions, Pri- recited Acts as vileges, Priorities, Advantages, Penalties, and Forfeitures contained in the said recited Acts or any of them, in relation to Force as if reany Advances made or to be made under the said recited Acts enacted in this or any of them, or for the Recovery, Repayment, and Application of such Advances, and the Repayment thereof, and the Accounts to be kept in relation thereto, shall extend and are hereby extended and made applicable to the said Commissioners, and all other Persons, Parties, Bodies Politic or Corporate, in respect to all Advances which shall be made by the said Commissioners, and all Acts done or directed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or the said Commissioners for executing this Act and the said recited Acts or either of them, under the Authority of the said recited Acts and this Act, and the Recovery, Repayment, and Application of such Advances, and of all Accounts in respect of the same, in such and the like Manner, to all Intents, Constructions, and Purposes whatsoever, as if such Clauses, Powers, Provisoes, Directions, Regulations, Authorities, Restrictions, Privileges, Priorities, Advantages, Penalties, and Forfeitures had been particularly and severally repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act, except only so far as the same are amended, extended, or altered by this Act.

XVI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners Commissioners for the Execution of the said recited Acts and may authorize this Act, whenever authorized so to do by Warrant under the purchase Ex-Hands of the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, chequer Bills. by Writing under the Hands of the said Exchequer Loan Commissioners, to authorize the Cashier or Cashiers of the Bank of England to employ any Monies which shall be paid to the Credit of their Account in the Purchase of any Exchequer Z 3 Bills.

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Bills, and forthwith to deliver the same to the Comptroller General of Her Majesty's Exchequer, to be cancelled.

XVII. And whereas Advances have been made by the said · Commissioners towards the Completion of Public Works of ' which the said Commissioners are now in Possession, or of ' which it may hereafter become necessary to take possession, ' and with a view to the Security of the Money already ad-' vanced and expended on such Works it is expedient that the ' said Commissioners should have Authority to make Advances ' for the Completion, Repair, or Security of such Works;' be it enacted, That in all Cases in which the said Commissioners have made or shall hereafter make Advances, under the Powers of the said recited Acts or this Act, for any Work which has been or which shall be taken possession of by the said Commissioners under the Powers and Provisions of the said recited Acts, or some or one of them, it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, with the Consent and Approbation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasurer, to make any further Advances for the Completion, Repair, Improvement, or Security of the Works so taken possession of, or of which Possession shall hereafter be taken as aforesaid, and such Advances shall be considered a further Charge on such Works, repayable, with Interest from the Time of the making of such further Advance, in such and the like Manner to all Intents and Purposes as if such further Advances had been secured by a further Mortgage of such Public Work so taken possession of, or which shall hereafter be taken possession of as aforesaid, although such further Advance may exceed the Capital authorized to be borrowed by the Parties interested in the Public Work on account of which such further Advance shall have become necessary, for any or either of the Purposes aforesaid; any Law, Statute, or Usage to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

XVIII. And whereas Advances have been made by the ' said Commissioners towards the Completion of Public Works ' the Completion whereof has exceeded the Sum estimated for ' the same, as well as the Amount of Capital authorized by any Act relating to such Work to be raised by Mortgage on ' the Security of the same, and it may become expedient in some Cases that the said Commissioners should be authorized to suspend the Payment of the Instalments of Principal ' and Interest becoming due on any Sums advanced by them, ' so as to enable the Parties or Persons interested therein to ' apply their accruing Income or other Funds which may become ' at their Disposal towards the Completion and Improvement ' thereof;' be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners, with the Consent and Approbation of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, upon such Terms and Conditions for the Completion and Improvement of such Works and the Repayment of the said Instalments as shall be prescribed by the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasurer in that respect, to suspend for any Time not exceeding Ten Years the Payment of the Instalments of Principal and Interest which may from

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further Advances for the Completion of certain Public Works.

Commissioners may suspend Payment of Principal and Interest on Advances in certain Cases and under certain Conditions. from Time to Time become due upon any Sum advanced for any Public Work by the said Commissioners.

XIX. And be it enacted, That the Words Commissioners Construction of of Her Majesty's Treasury, or "of the Treasury," wherever used certain Words in this Act, shall be construed to mean any Three or more of such Commissioners, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, whenever such Office there shall be.

CAP. LII.

An Act to suspend to the End of the next Session of Parliament the making of Lists and the Ballots and Enrolments for the Militia of the United Kingdom.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to suspend for a further Period the making of Lists and the Ballots and Enrol-' ments for the Militia of the United Kingdom:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all General and Subdi- General and vision Meetings relating to the Militia of the United Kingdom, and all Proceedings relating to the procuring any Returns, or ingtothe Militia preparing or making out Lists for such Militia, or any Part suspended. thereof, or relating to the ballotting for or enrolling any Militiamen or Substitutes, or supplying any Vacancies in such Militia, shall cease and remain suspended until the End of the next Session of Parliament, any thing in any Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That it shall be Proceedings lawful for Her Majesty by any Order in Council to direct that may be had any Proceedings shall be had, at any Time before the Expira- Suspension tion of such Paried as of arrived with the second state of the second stat tion of such Period as aforesaid, either for the giving of Notices by Order in and making Returns and preparing Lists, and also for the proceeding to ballot and enrol Men for the filling up Vacancies in the Militia of the United Kingdom or any Part thereof, as Her Majesty shall deem expedient; and upon the issuing of any such Order all such Proceedings shall be had for carrying into execution all the Provisions of the Acts in force in England, Scotland, and Ireland respectively relating to the giving Notices for and Returns of Lists, and for the ballotting and enrolling of Men to supply any Vacancies in the Militia, and holding General and Subdivision Meetings for such Purpose, at such Time respectively as shall be expressed in any such Order in Council, or by any Directions given in pursuance thereof to the Lord Lieutenant or Deputy Lieutenants acting for Lord Lieutenants of the several Counties, Shires, Ridings, Cities, and Places in Great Britain, or to the Governors and Deputy Governors of Counties and Places in Ireland, or to the Warden and Special Deputy Wardens of the Stannaries; and all the Provisions of the several Acts in force in England, Scotland, and Ζ4 Ireland

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Ireland respectively relating to the Militia and Corps of Miners of Cornwall and Devon shall upon any such Order, and Direction given in pursuance thereof, become and be in full force and be carried into execution at the Period specified in such Order or Direction as aforesaid, with all such Penalties and Forfeitures for any Neglect thereof, as fully as if such Periods had been fixed in the Acts relating to such Militia and Miners.

III. And be it enacted, That this Act, and all the Clauses, Provisions, Directions, and Authorities therein contained, shall be construed to extend to the Warden and Special Deputy Wardens of the Stannaries, and Corps of Miners of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, as fully as if they were respectively and severally repeated in every such Clause, Provision, Direction, and Authority.

CAP. LIII.

An Act to explain and amend an Act of the Sixth and Seventh Years of His late Majesty, for extinguishing the Secular Jurisdiction of the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Ely in certain Liberties in the Counties of York, Nottingham, and Cambridge.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the last Session of Par-6&7W.4.c.87. 6 liament, intituled An Act for extinguishing the Secular ' Jurisdiction of the Archbishop of York and the Bishop of Ely ' in certain Liberties in the Counties of York, Nottingham, and 6 Cambridge, it was amongst other things enacted, that all the ' Secular Authority of the Bishop of Ely in the Isle of Ely in ' the County of Cambridge, and all Authority of the Chief Justice of Ely, theretofore appointed by the Bishop of Ely, ' should, from and after the passing of the said Act, cease and ' determine, and all the Secular Authority of the said Bishop ' should become and be vested in His late Majesty, His Heirs ' and Successors; provided always, that nothing therein con-' tained should prevent any Justice of the Peace then acting ' for the said Isle from continuing to act as such within the · Limits of the said Jurisdiction as if the said Act had not ' been passed; and it was further enacted, that the County " Rates for the said Isle of Ely should remain, as theretofore, ' distinct from the Rates for the rest of the County of Cam-· bridge, and should be assessed and levied, and paid and • applied, by and under the Order and Direction of the Justices of the Peace for the said Isle, as if the same were a separate ' County, but in all other respects under the same Regulations ' as were applicable to the Rates of other Counties in *England*; ' and it was further enacted, that no Person should, from and ' after the passing of the said Act, be committed to the Gaol at ' Ely, but all Persons who, if the said Act had not passed, might ' have been committed to or confined in such Gaol, might be ' committed to and confined in the Gaol at Cambridge, and the ' Justices of the said Isle of Ely should have full Power to commit

Act to extend to Wardens of Stannaries and to Corps of Miners. ' commit to the said Gaol at Cambridge, and all Persons who at • the Time of the passing of the said Act should be confined in ' the said Gaol at Ely should, as soon as might be after the ' passing of the said Act, be delivered up by the Keeper of the ' said Gaol at Ely to the Keeper of the said Gaol at Cambridge, ' together with the Warrant or Instrument under or by virtue ' whereof every such Person should be then detained in Cus-' tody, and the Keeper of the said Gaol at Cambridge should ' receive and detain such Persons in Custody in the same Way ' as if such Persons had originally been committed to his Cus-' tody: And whereas the Gaol for the County of Cambridge is ' not locally situate within the Town or Borough of Cambridge, ' but is situate near thereto, and within the Parish of Chesterton ' in the same County, and there is a Gaol for the said Town or Borough which is situate within the Precincts of the same: 'And whereas it is desirable to prevent any Doubt as to the ' Meaning of the said recited Act in regard to the Gaol to ' which Persons should be committed and removed from the ' said Isle of Ely, and to declare that by the Gaol at Cambridge ' mentioned in the said Act the Gaol for the County of Cam-' bridge for the Time being was meant and intended: And ' whereas by the Committal of Prisoners from the said Isle of • Ely to the said County Gaol, and the keeping and maintaining ' such Prisoners there, considerable Expence will be occasioned ' to the said County of Cambridge, and in consequence thereof ' it may be necessary to enlarge the said Gaol for the County of " Cambridge; and it is therefore expedient that all Expences ' already occasioned or which may hereafter be occasioned ' thereby, as well as from the Prosecution, Trial, Punishment, ' Conveyance, and Transport of such Prisoners, should be ' charged on the said Rates for the said Isle of Ely ?' Be it therefore declared and enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That by Gaol referred the Gaol at Cambridge mentioned in the herein-before recited to in recited Act Act was meant and intended the Gaol for the said County of the County Cambridge situate at Chesterion in the same County; and that Gaol; and Ely all Persons who if the said recited Act had not passed might be committed have been committed to or confined in the Gaol at Ely may be to the County committed to and confined in the Gaol for the Time being of Gaol for the the said County of Cambridge, and that all Justices who if the Time being. said Act had not been passed might have committed to the Gaol of the said Isle of Ely shall have full Power to commit to the Gaol for the Time being of the said County of Cambridge.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for all Judges, As to the Im-Justices, and others acting under any Commission of Gaol prisonment of Delivery to direct that any Person who shall have been com- victed of Crimes mitted for any Crime from the said Isle of Ely, and who shall in the Isle of thereupon be convicted and sentenced to Imprisonment, shall be imprisoned either in the Gaol or House of Correction of the said County

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County of Cambridge, or in any other Gaol or House of Correction at Ely or Wisheach, or elsewhere in the said Isle of Ely.

III. And be it enacted, That all Expences already incurred or which may hereafter be incurred under or by virtue of the said recited Act by the Committal of Persons from the said Isle of Ely to the Gaol for the said County of Cambridge, and of the keeping and Maintenance of such Persons there, and also of the Prosecution, Trial, Punishment, Conveyance, and Transport of such Prisoners, and all other Expences occasioned by their being kept and detained in such Gaol, or by the consequent and necessary Increase of Turnkeys and other Attendants, or the Alteration or Enlargement of the said Gaol, and also a due Proportion of the Expences of the necessary Repairs of the said Gaol, and of the general Expences of the Establishment thereof for the Time being, shall be paid and satisfied out of the said Rates for the said Isle of Ely; and (Notice in Writing of the Amount of such Expences being given or transmitted by Post by the Clerk of the Peace for the said County to the Clerk of the Peace for the said Isle half-yearly, specifying the Time at which the same are required to be paid,) the Justices of the Peace for the said Isle shall from Time to Time assess and levy the Amount of such Expences, and use and exercise all Powers, Authorities, and Methods in regard thereto, in the same Manner as they are and shall be empowered by Law to assess and levy County Rates, or Rates in the Nature of a County Rate, within the said Isle for other Purposes; and the Amount of such Expences shall from Time to Time be paid by the Treasurers for the said Isle, or One of them, to the Treasurer for the said County, to be applied to the Satisfaction of all such Expences accordingly; and such last-mentioned Treasurer shall be accountable for the same in the same Manner as for other County Rates received by him : Provided always, that no Enlargement of the said Gaol shall be made until Notice of such proposed Enlargement shall be given by the Clerk of the Peace for the said County to the Clerk of the Peace for the said Isle, nor until the Expediency of such Enlargement shall have been submitted to the Consideration of and shall have been agreed to by a joint Committee of Six Justices of the Peace for the said County and Isle, to be appointed at the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden for the said County and Isle respectively next after such Notice in the Manner provided.

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IV. And be it enacted, That if at any Time hereafter the Justices of the Peace for the said Isle shall refuse to make, assess, and levy a Rate for defraying any such Expences as aforesaid, (and the Nonpayment thereof by the Time to be specified in such Notice shall be construed to be a Refusal to make, assess, and levy such Rate,) the Justices of the Peace for the said County and Isle respectively shall, at the respective General or Quarter Sessions which shall be holden in and for the County and in and for the Isle next after such Refusal respectively, appoint Six Justices

Expences payable by the Isle of Ely. Justices of the Peace for the County and for the Isle in manner herein-after mentioned, that is to say, the Justices of the Peace for the said County shall at such Sessions appoint Three Justices of the Peace for the said County, and the Justices of the Peace for the said Isle shall at such Sessions appoint Three Justices of the Peace for the said Isle; which Justices of the Peace so to be respectively appointed as aforesaid are hereby required to meet, at such Time as shall be fixed for the Purpose by the Chairman of such General or Quarter Sessions for the said County, at the Gaol for the said County, and of which Time of Meeting Notice in Writing shall be given or transmitted by Post by the Clerk of the Peace for the said County to the County Justices so to be appointed, and by the same Clerk of the Peace to the Clerk of the Peace for the said Isle, who shall give or transmit the same by Post to the Isle Justices so to be appointed; and the Justices of the Peace so to be appointed as aforesaid, or the major Part of them then and there assembled (such major Part not being less than Five in Number), shall hold a Special Sessions at the said Gaol for the Purpose of ascertaining and settling whether any and what Expences are chargeable in respect of any of the Matters aforesaid on the Rates of the said Isle, and the Proportion of Expences in respect of any of the said Matters which ought to be borne by the said County and Isle respectively; and the Clerk of the Peace for the said County shall attend such Special Sessions, and keep a Record of the Proceedings there, which Record shall be Evidence thereof; and the Sum or Sums which at any such Special Sessions as aforesaid shall be declared to be chargeable on the said Isle under this Act shall be levied and raised in manner aforesaid.

V. And be it enacted, That all Justices of the Peace acting Justices of the in and for the said Isle of Ely shall from and after the passing Isle of Ely to of this Act have and possess and may exercise all such and the possess the same same Rights, Privileges, Powers, and Authorities whatsoever Powers as Juswithin the said Isle of Ely as any Justice of the Peace acting tices for Counties. in and for any County, Riding, or Division now hath or possesses or may exercise in such County, Riding, or Division.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful from Mutual Powers and after the passing of this Act for any Justice of the Peace given to Jusacting in and for the said County of Cambridge, and he is Peace for the hereby authorized, to issue under his Hand and Seal any County and for Warrant or Warrants for the Apprehension of any Person or the Isle to Persons residing or being within the said *Isle of Ely*, charged Offendersout of on Oath before him the said Justice with any Felony or Mis- their respective demeanor committed in the said County of Cambridge, and in like Manner for any Justice of the Peace acting in and for the said Isle of Ely, and he is hereby authorized, to issue under his Hand and Seal any Warrant or Warrants for the Apprehension of any Person or Persons residing or being within the said County of *Cambridge* charged on Oath before him the said last-mentioned Justice with any Felony or Misdemeanor committed in the said Isle of Ely; and the Constables or Constable or

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or other Person to whom any such Warrant or Warrants shall or may be addressed or directed are and is hereby authorized to apprehend and take any such Person or Persons so charged on Oath as aforesaid (and whose Name or Names shall be inserted in such Warrant or Warrants) with any such Felony or Misdemeanor committed in the said County of *Cambridge* or in the said *Isle of Ely*, without Indorsement of such Warrant or Warrants by any Justice of the Peace of the said County of *Cambridge* or of the said *Isle of Ely*.

VII. 'And whereas Doubts have arisen whether the *Isle of* '*Ely* is included in Enactments made in several Statutes 'respecting Counties, Ridings, or Divisions;' be it therefore enacted, That under such Statutes heretofore passed or hereafter to be passed the *Isle of Ely* shall be deemed and taken to be a Division of a County.

VIII. 'And whereas the Townships of Felishirk and Sutton-" under-Whitestonecliffe, in the Parish of Feliskirk and Townships 6 of Kilburn and Marton Lordship, in the County of York, are ⁴ locally situated within the North Riding of the said County, ' and yet for certain Purposes are esteemed to be within the · Liberty of Ripon in the said County, heretofore Part of the • Secular Jurisdiction of the Archbishop of York : And whereas ' by the said Act of the last Session of Parliament it was ⁴ amongst other things enacted, that all the Secular Jurisdiction • of the said Archbishop of York in the said Liberty of Ripon ' should from and after the passing of the said Act cease and determine, and should become and be transferred to and • vested in His said late Majesty, His Heirs and Successors : ' And whereas the said Townships are distant upwards of · Fourteen Miles from Ripon aforesaid, and it is highly expe-⁶ dient that the said Townships should be entirely separate and distinct from the said Liberty of Ripon; be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act, the said Townships of Feliskirk and Sutton-under-Whitestonecliffe, and the said Townships of Kilburn and Marton Lordship, be absolutely removed and separated out of and from the said Liberty of *Ripon*, and out of and from the Jurisdiction thereof, and become Parts of the said North Riding, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever, and be solely within the Jurisdiction of the said North Riding; any Custom or Usage to the contrary thereof in anywise notwithstanding.

IX. And be it enacted, That this Act may be repealed or altered by any other Act in this present Session of Parliament.

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An Act to provide more effectual Means to make in 142/c 53 Treasurers of Counties and Counties of Cities in Ireland account for Public Monies, and to secure the same. [15th July 1837.]

• WHEREAS it is expedient to make further Provisions for the more effectual Audit of the Accounts of Trea-' surers of Counties and Counties of Cities and Towns in ' Ireland, and for securing a due Application of Grand Jury ' Cess:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Accounts of Accounts of the said several Treasurers of Counties and Counties be audited by of Cities and Towns shall, from and after the Commencement Officer apof this Act, be from Time to Time audited and declared by pointed by the such Officer as the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor Lord Lieutenant or Governors in Ireland shall from Time to Time by Warrant authorize to audit and declare the same; and the said Treasurers shall make out their Accounts in such Form as the said Officer shall direct, and shall transmit the same to him, together with proper Vouchers for their Receipts and Payments, within such Time as the Lord Lieutenant in Council shall by such Rules and Orders as are herein-after mentioned appoint; and the first Account which shall be rendered by each Treasurer as aforesaid shall commence with the Balance due by him or to him on the last Account which he shall have passed according to Law before the Commencement of this Act: Provided nevertheless, that it shall be lawful for each such Officer as aforesaid to inquire, in any Case in which he shall deem it necessary so to do, whether any Sum or Sums for which such Treasurer shall have had Credit in any Account heretofore passed by him as or for any Payment or Disbursement by him was duly paid or disbursed; and if he shall find that it was not, it shall be lawful for him to charge such Treasurer with the Amount thereof; and the said Officer, after examining each Account rendered to him as aforesaid, with the Documents annexed thereto, shall settle and declare the same, and shall lodge such Account when so settled and declared with the Clerks of Her Majesty's Privy Council in Ireland, who shall transmit One Copy thereof to the Treasurer whose Account it is, and One other Copy to the Clerk of the Crown of the County for which he acts; and the said Clerk of the Crown shall cause the same to be printed and published in such Manner as shall be directed by such Rules and Orders as herein-after mentioned; and from and after the First Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven it shall not be necessary for the said Treasurers to account to or before any other Person or Body.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said The Duty of Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of auditing such Ireland

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be annexed to any existing Office, with the Consent of the Person holding the same.

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Ireland to annex the Duty of auditing the said Accounts to any existing Office, by and with the Consent of the Person holding the same, and thereupon to regulate such Office and any other Office or Offices which it may be necessary to regulate therewith, provided the Person or Persons holding the same shall consent thereto, and the future Powers and Duties of any Office so regulated shall be such as shall be assigned to it in and by such Regulations as the said Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors shall by Warrant signed by him or them make in that Behalf, and any Provisions or Enactments theretofore made touching such Office shall thenceforth cease and be repealed, save as to any Act or Acts theretofore done and any Right or Rights now enjoyed by virtue of any such Provision or Enactment: Provided always, that nothing herein contained or which shall be done by virtue hereof shall extend to alter or affect the Tenure by which any such Office as aforesaid is now holden, or any Salary, Fees, or Emoluments now appertaining thereto, or any Right now vested in Her Majesty to grant any Annuity to any Person upon his resigning the same.

III. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Officer to call before him and examine each Treasurer upon the Matter of his Account, and also any other Person whom he may deem it necessary to examine on the Matter thereof, the Expence of the Attendance of such Treasurer or other Person being defrayed out of the Funds herein-after mentioned, to the Extent that shall be approved of by the said Officer and not otherwise; and it shall be lawful for him to examine such Treasurer or other Person upon Oath; or if such Treasurer or other Person shall refuse to be sworn, or if such Officer shall think fit for any other Reason so to do, it shall be lawful for him to require such Treasurer or other Person to make and subscribe a Declaration in Writing of the Truth of what he shall state upon any such Examination; and if any such Treasurer or other Person shall wilfully give false Testimony before the said Officer, or wilfully make and subscribe a false Declaration, he shall on being convicted thereof suffer the Pains and Penalties of Perjury; and it shall be lawful for such Officer to compel the Attendance of any Witness before him by a Subpœna ad testificandum or a Subpœna duces tecum, and which Subpœna shall be issued by the Secondary of the Court of Exchequer by his Direction; and any Person omitting to obey such Subpeena shall be deemed guilty of a Contempt of the said Court, and, upon Complaint by or on behalf of Her Majesty's Attorney General, shall be punishable in the said Court accordingly.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant of *Ireland* in Council to make such Rules or Regulations as to the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall seem fit for regulating the Audit of the said Accounts, and for causing each Treasurer to open a Public Account with the Bank of *Ireland* or such Bank as the Grand Jury of the 13 respective

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respective Counties shall appoint, and for causing any Balance which shall be from Time to Time found due by him to be paid into the said Bank by him to the Credit of the said Account; and for restricting all Collectors of Grand Jury Cess from making any Payments to him otherwise than by lodging such Monies as shall be from Time to Time in their Hands respectively in such Bank to the Credit of his said Account, and for causing all Monies which shall be raised by virtue of any Sequestration or Levari facias which may be issued against him as herein-after mentioned to be also paid into such Bank to the Credit of his said Account, and also for regulating the Manner in which any Monies which shall be from Time to Time standing to the Credit of such Account shall be drawn out by him, so as to provide that each Payment to be made by him, where the Sum shall exceed Ten Pounds, shall be paid by a Draft on the said Bank in favour of the Person entitled to receive the same, and that each Draft shall be so countersigned, and shall contain such Specification of the Purposes for which the same shall be drawn as to the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall seem expedient, and so as also to provide that no Treasurer shall be authorized to draw any . Money out of the said Bank unless by a Draft in favour of a Person entitled to receive the Amount thereof under some Grand Jury Presentment, or by some Order made upon such Treasurer according to Law, and which shall be countersigned as aforesaid, save by and with the express Authority of such Officer as aforesaid, and which Authority it shall be lawful only for him to give for the Purpose of enabling such Treasurer to pay to himself any Balance which may be due to him on any Account which shall be settled and declared as aforesaid, or for the Purpose of enabling such Treasurer to have from Time to Time in his Hands sufficient Money for the Discharge of Demands not exceeding each the Sum of Ten Pounds.

V. And be it enacted, That if any such Treasurer shall If Treasurer neglect to render such Accounts and Vouchers as aforesaid, or make default to attend and be examined before such Officer as aforesaid, in accounting Sequestration when his Attendance shall be required before him, it shall be to issue. lawful for the said Officer to certify his Default to the Secondary of Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer in Ireland, who shall thereupon issue Her Majesty's Writ of Sequestration against such Treasurer; and the same shall not be discharged until said Treasurer shall have duly accounted and paid his Balance, pursuant to such Rules and Orders as aforesaid; and all Sums received by the Sequestrators in the meantime by virtue of the said Sequestration shall, after deducting their Fees, be paid by them into the Bank of Ireland to the Credit of the said Treasurer's Account.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be the Duty of every Treasurer to such Treasurer as aforesaid to produce or transmit to the Officer produce Bank by whom his Account shall have been settled and declared as Balances. aforesaid, within such Time after the Settlement of each Account as shall be specified by such Rules or Orders as aforesaid, the Receipt

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Receipt of such Bank as aforesaid for any Balance by him payable into the said Bank as aforesaid; and if any such Treasurer shall omit so to do, it shall be the Duty of the said Officer to certify the Default of such Treasurer to the said Secondary, who shall thereupon issue Her Majesty's Writ of Levari facias against such Treasurer for recovering the Amount of such Balance with Costs, and with Interest on such Balance at the Rate of Six Pounds *per Centum per Annum* until the same shall be levied; and the Sum levied under such Writ of Levari facias as aforesaid shall be paid into the said Bank to the Credit of such Account as aforesaid, and the Sheriff or Sheriffs to whom the same shall be directed shall make a Return thereof to the said Officer, within such Time as shall be specified by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid.

VII. And be it enacted, That upon the Death, Removal, or Resignation of any such Treasurer as aforesaid, the Balance at such Bank as aforesaid to the Credit of such Treasurer shall vest in his Successor, and shall not be deemed the Property of such late Treasurer, or be in any Manner subject to his Control, or that of his personal Representative.

VIII. And be it enacted, That if any Sheriff or Sheriffs shall neglect duly to execute any Levari facias or Warrant which shall be issued to him or them as aforesaid, or to pay the Sum levied thereupon as hereby directed, such Sheriff or Sheriffs shall be amenable for his Neglect to the said Court of Exchequer, and the said Court may deal with him as with a defaulting Officer of the said Court; and it shall be the Duty of Her Majesty's Attorney General, upon having the Neglect of such Sheriff certified to him in such Manner as shall be prescribed by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid, to proceed against such Sheriff or Sheriffs in the said Court as the Exigency of the Case shall require.

IX. And be it enacted, That all Bonds or Recognizances heretofore entered into, and all Investments in Government Funds or Securities heretofore made for securing the due Performance of the Duties appertaining to such Treasurers and Collectors as aforesaid, shall continue in full Force and be deemed and taken to be conditioned or made for the due Performance of all Duties appertaining to such Officers respectively under or by virtue of the Provisions of this Act.

X. Provided always, and be it enacted, That so soon as any such Treasurer as aforesaid shall have passed his first Account before such Officer as aforesaid, and shall have paid the Balance due by him thereupon into such Bank as aforesaid, and shall have entered into such new Security as herein-after mentioned, it shall be lawful for such Officer as aforesaid and he is hereby required to give to such Treasurer a Certificate thereof, whereupon the Recognizances theretofore entered into by himself and his Sureties shall be vacated or discharged, or the Funds or Securities which shall have been substituted for such Recognizances shall be transferred to him, upon his applying to the Court of Chancery in *Ireland* by Motion for that Purpose.

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XI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Treasurer to Lord Lieutenant in Council to direct that every such Treasurer give Security for as aforesaid shall enter into such new Security for the due Der as aforesaid shall enter into such new Security for the due Per- formance of formance of his Duties, by himself and Two or more Sureties, his Duties. by Recognizance in the Court of Exchequer, to such Amount as the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall approve, or in lieu thereof shall make such Investment in Government Stocks or Securities as is now authorized by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His Majesty George the Fourth, intituled An Act to make more effectual Regulations for the Election, and 4 G.4. c. 33. to secure the due Performance of the Duties, of County Treasurer in Ireland.

XII. And be it enacted, That in every Case where the Treasurer may Treasurer of a County has not heretofore invested Money in apply to the Court of Chan-Government Funds or Securities, under the Provisions of said Court of Chan cery for Order recited Act, as a Substitute for the Recognizances of himself to invest in and Sureties, and where such Treasurer shall be desirous to Government have the Recognizances of himself and his Sureties discharged, Sum equal to it shall be lawful for such Treasurer, after the passing of this his Recogni-Act, to apply to the Court of Chancery by Motion, upon zances. Notice to the Attorney General, and to obtain an Order that the said Treasurer shall be at liberty to invest in Government Securities or Funds, in the Manner prescribed by said recited Act, such Sum of Money as shall be equal to the Sum secured by the Recognizances of such Treasurer and his Sureties; and upon the said Treasurer investing such Sum as shall be thereupon ordered by the said Court, and upon his producing a Copy of said Order, and a Certificate from the Accountant General of said Court that the said Treasurer has made such Lodgment, the Recognizances of said Treasurer and of his Sureties shall be discharged by the proper Officer of the Court of Exchequer: Provided nevertheless, that it shall be lawful for such Treasurer, having made such Investment at any Time afterwards, to proceed to have the Funds and Securities so invested re-transferred to him in like Manner as he would be enabled by this Act to proceed to have same re-transferred to him if they had been originally invested in lieu of the Recognizances of himself and his Sureties under the Provisions of said recited Act.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the Settlement and Declara- Accounts to be tion of each Treasurer's Account as aforesaid shall be final and conclusive, unless the Treasurer whose Account it is, or such Person or Persons on behalf of the County to which it relates as shall be authorized by the said Rules and Orders so to do, shall present a Petition to the said Lord Lieutenant in Council, within such Time as shall be prescribed in and by the said Rules and Orders, praying that the same may be altered in such Particulars as shall be stated in such Petition; and it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant in Council to make such Order thereupon as shall be just; and the Account, as declared and settled as aforesaid, shall be affirmed

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or altered as by the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall in and by such Order direct; and such Order shall be final and conclusive to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

XIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for such Officer as aforesaid and he is hereby required to cause any Balance which shall be at any Time standing in Bank as aforesaid to the Credit of any such Treasurer's Account as aforesaid to be laid out in the Purchase of Exchequer Bills; and such Bills shall be deposited in such Place as the Lord Lieutenant in Council shall by the aforesaid Rules and Regulations direct, and shall be from Time to Time sold as Occasion shall require, and the Produce thereof, together with the Interest accruing thereon, shall be placed to the Credit of the said Account; and every such Bank as aforesaid is hereby required to give to the said Officer any Information which he may from Time to Time require from them touching any such Treasurer's Account as aforesaid.

XV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every such Treasurer as aforesaid who is now in Office, and no other, shall have and receive, out of the Interest which shall become due and payable upon the Exchequer Bills purchased by the Monies due on Foot of his Account, such Sum as shall be equal annually to One Half the Amount of the Salary heretofore appertaining to his Office in case such Interest shall amount thereto; and if not, that he shall be entitled to have and receive the Amount of such Interest, whatever the same may be.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That in case it shall appear to the Grand Jury of any County, County of a City or Town, that the present Treasurer ought to receive out of the Interest of said Exchequer Bills a larger Amount than One Half of his present Salary, it shall and may be lawful for such Grand Jury to pass a Resolution specifying the Amount of the Sum which it shall appear to them such Treasurer ought to receive out of such Interest; and upon such Resolution being approved of by the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of *Ireland*, such Treasurer shall receive such Sum out of said Interest if the same shall be sufficient for that Purpose.

XVII. And, in order to provide for the Expences which may be incurred in the Execution of this Act, be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in Council, in and by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid, to direct that a Fee not exceeding Five Shillings on every Hundred Pounds to which the Debit Side of any such Treasurer's Account as aforesaid shall amount, shall be paid by such Treasurer in the same Manner as any other Presentment; and the Fees so payable shall be received and accounted for in such Manner as the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid direct; and the same shall constitute a Fee Fund, which it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant in Council to charge with the Payment of any Salary or Disbursement which the said Lord Lieutenant in Council 8

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Council shall deem necessary for the Purposes of this Act: and the Amount of such Fee as aforesaid shall be levied off each County by Grand Jury Presentment.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That Copies of all such Rules and Copies of Rules Orders as aforesaid shall be laid before both Houses of Parlia- and Orders to be laid before ment, within Ten Days after the same shall have been pro- Parliament. mulgated, if they shall be then sitting, and if not, within Ten Days after they shall next meet.

XIX. And be it enacted, That Accounts shall be kept of Accounts to be the Produce of the said Fee Fund, and of all Charges there- kept of Produce of Fee Fund. upon, and Payments made thereon; and Copies thereof shall be annually laid before Parliament.

. XX. And whereas immediately before the Assizes holden Lord Lieutefor the County of Clare in the Month of July of the present nant to direct 'Year the Lords Justices of Ireland directed the Collectors of Grand Jury Cess ' the Grand Jury Cess in said County not to pay to the Trea- in County of ' surer of said County the Sums levied by them and payable Clare. ' by them at said Assizes;' be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland to give Directions that the said Sums so levied by the said Collectors, and which have not been paid to said Treasurer, shall be applied to discharge the several Demands to which the same would have been applicable in the Hands of said Treasurer if the same had been paid to him; and it shall and may be lawful for the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland to make such Orders respecting said Sums as he or they shall deem expedient, in order to cause said Sums to be applied as aforesaid; and the said several Collectors and all other Persons concerned are hereby commanded to obey and give Effect to such Orders.

XXI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be varied or Act may be altered during the present Session of Parliament.

CAP. LV.

An Act for better regulating the Fees payable to Sheriffs upon the Execution of Civil Process.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Fees payable to Sheriffs, Under Sheriffs, Deputy Sheriffs, Sheriffs Agents, Bailiffs, and others the Officers or Ministers of Sheriffs in England and Wales, and to give the Courts of Record at Westminster Hall a due Control over such Fees; and also to provide a summary Remedy against such Officers and others as shall extort or receive other or greater Fees than by Law they shall be entitled to: And whereas divers Enactments touching the said Officers, contained in certain ancient Statutes, have become inconvenient, and ought ' to be repealed :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, Aa 2 That

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XV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That every such Treasurer as aforesaid who is now in Office, and no other, shall have and receive, out of the Interest which shall become due and payable upon the Exchequer Bills purchased by the Monies due on Foot of his Account, such Sum as shall be equal annually to One Half the Amount of the Salary heretofore appertaining to his Office in case such Interest shall amount thereto; and if not, that he shall be entitled to have and receive the Amount of such Interest, whatever the same may be.

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XVII. And, in order to provide for the Expences which may be incurred in the Execution of this Act, be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant of Ireland in Council, in and by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid, to direct that a Fee not exceeding Five Shillings on every Hundred Pounds to which the Debit Side of any such Treasurer's Account as aforesaid shall amount, shall be paid by such Treasurer in the same Manner as any other Presentment; and the Fees so payable shall be received and accounted for in such Manner as the said Lord Lieutenant in Council shall by such Rules and Orders as aforesaid direct; and the same shall constitute a Fee Fund, which it shall be lawful for the said Lord Lieutenant in Council to charge with the Payment of any Salary or Disbursement which the said Lord Lieutenant in Council 8

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Council shall deem necessary for the Purposes of this Act: and the Amount of such Fee as aforesaid shall be levied off each County by Grand Jury Presentment.

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XXI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be varied or Act may be altered during the present Session of Parliament.

CAP. LV.

An Act for better regulating the Fees payable to Sheriffs upon the Execution of Civil Process.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Laws relating to the Fees payable to Sheriffs, Under Sheriffs, Deputy Sheriffs, Sheriffs Agents, Bailiffs, and others the Officers or Ministers of Sheriffs in *England* and *Wales*, and to give the Courts of Record at Westminster Hall a due Control over such Fees; and also to provide a summary Remedy against such Officers and others as shall extort or receive other or greater Fees than by Law they shall be entitled to: And whereas divers Enactments touching the said Officers, contained in certain ancient Statutes, have become inconvenient, and ought "to be repealed :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, A = 2That

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Part of 42 Ed. 3. c. 9. ;

the Act 1 Hen. 5. c. 4. ;

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repealed. Sheriffs to take only such Fees as are allowed by Taxing Officer of Courts of Law at Westminster.

To prevent Officers taking Fees not allowed or greater Fees than are allowed;

and other Persons from taking any Fees.

Court may award Costs.

That so much of an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of His late Majesty King Edward the Third, intituled Estreats shall be shewed to the Party indebted, and that which is paid shall be totted : no Sheriff, et cætera, shall continue in Office above a Year, as relates to the Time during which Under Sheriffs and Sheriffs Clerks may abide in their respective Offices; also an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King Henry the Fifth, intituled Sheriffs Bailiffs shall not be in the same Office in Three Years after : Sheriffs Officers shall not be Attornies; and also so much of an Act passed in the Twentythird Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King Henry the Sixth, intituled No Sheriff shall let to farm his County or any Bailiwick: the Sheriffs and Bailiffs Fees and Duties in many Cases, as relates to the Fees to be taken by Sheriffs, Under Sheriffs, Sheriffs Clerks, and other Officers and Ministers of Sheriffs, be and the same are hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act it shall be lawful for Sheriffs, or their Officers concerned in the Execution of Process directed to Sheriffs, to demand, take, and receive such Fees, and no more, as shall from Time to Time be allowed by any Officer of the several Courts of Law at *Westminster* charged with the Duty of taxing Costs in such Courts, under the Sanction and Authority of the Judges of the said Courts respectively.

III. And be it enacted, That any Sheriff, Officer, or Minister acting in the Execution of Process directed to any Sheriff or Sheriffs, or engaged or concerned therein, who shall extort, demand, take, accept, or receive from any Person or Persons any Fee or Fees, Gratuity, or Reward not allowed as aforesaid, or greater in Amount than as allowed as aforesaid, such Sheriff, or other his Officer or Minister, upon Complaint thereof made against him to any of the said Courts, and on Proof being made thereof upon Oath, either by the Examination of Witnesses viva voce, or on Affidavits, or on Interrogatories, to the Satisfaction of the Court to which the said Complaint shall be made, that such Sheriff, Officer, or Minister, as the Case may be, hath offended therein as aforesaid, then and in such Case every such Sheriff, Officer, or Minister, as the Case may be, shall be adjudged guilty of a Contempt of such Court, and punished by such Court accordingly; and if any Person, not being such Officer or Minister as aforesaid, shall assume or pretend to act as such, and shall extort, demand, take, accept, or receive any Fee or Fees, Gratuity, or Reward under colour or pretext of such Office, he shall, on like Complaint and Proof, be in that Respect dealt with by the Court in like Manner.

IV. And be it enacted, That in all Cases of summary Complaints as aforesaid the Court before which such Complaint shall be preferred may at its Discretion award the Costs of or occasioned by such Complaint to be paid by either Party to the other; such Costs to be taxed by the Master of such Court: Provided always, that no such Complaint shall be entertained 6 unless

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unless made before the last Day of Term next following the Act whereof Complaint is made.

V. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of Fees to the this Act the Sheriffs of Lancashire and Durham, and their Sheriffs of Lan-Officers, shall have and be entitled to the like Fees, and no Durham. more, upon Process issuing out of the Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster and out of the Court of Pleas at Durham respectively as from Time to Time shall be allowed under the Authority of this Act to Sheriffs upon Process issuing from the Superior Courts at Westminster; and that the said Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster and Court of Pleas at Durham respectively, or any Judge thereof respectively, being also Judge of one of the Superior Courts at Westminster, shall have the same Powers in every Particular, with respect to Offences against this Act upon Process issuing out of the said Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster and Court of Pleas at Durham respectively, as are herein-before given to the Courts at Westminster respectively in respect of Process issuing from those Courts.

VI. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended, Act may be altered, or repealed by any Act to be passed in the present altered thus Session. Session of Parliament.

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An Act for amending the several Acts for the Regulation of Attornies and Solicitors. [15th July 1837.] WHEREAS by an Act passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the 'Fourth, intituled An Act to amend the several Acts for the 1&2G.4.c.48. " Regulation of Attornies and Solicitors, and which was afterwards ' amended by an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of ' His said Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act 3 G. 4. c. 16. ' to amend an Act made in the last Session of Parliament, for ' amending the several Acts for the Regulation of Attornies and · Solicitors, Provision was made for facilitating the Admission ' of Graduates of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and · Dublin as Attornies and Solicitors of the Courts of Law and · Equity, in manner and upon the Conditions in the said Acts ' mentioned : And whereas since the passing of the said recited ' Acts a Body Politic and Corporate by the Name of The Uni-· versity of London has been constituted by the Royal Charter ' of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, and an Uni-' versity has been founded and established in connexion with ' the Cathedral Church of Durham, under the Authority of an · Act passed in the Second and Third Years of the Reign of His ' said late Majesty, intituled An Act to enable the Dean and 2& 3W. 4. ' Chapter of Durham to appropriate Part of the Property of their c. 19. Pr. . Church to the Establishment of an University in connexion there-' with, for the Advancement of Learning : And whereas since ' the passing of the said last-mentioned Act a Royal Charter ' of Incorporation has been granted to the University of Dur-

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Provisions of former Acts, relating to the Admission and Inrolment as Attornies of Bachelors of Arts or Law at Oxford, Cambridge, and Dublin, extended to Bachelors of Arts or Law at the Universities of London and Durham.

So much of 2 G. 2. c. 23. as relates to the Fee on Admission of Attornies repealed.

' ham; and it is expedient that the Provisions of the said first-' recited Acts should be extended to Graduates of the said ' Universities of London and Durham:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act all the Provisions, Regulations, Conditions, and Restrictions in the said recited Acts or either of them contained for or relating to the Admission and Inrolment as Attornies and Solicitors of Persons who had taken or shall thereafter take the Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Law in any of the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Dublin, shall extend and be applicable to the Admission and Inrolment as Attornies and Solicitors of all Persons who shall have taken or shall take the Degree of Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Law either in the said University of London or in the said University of Durham, as fully and effectually as if the said Body Politic and Corporate called The University of London and the said University of Durham had been respectively constituted and founded at the Time of the passing of the said Acts, and had been therein named together with the said Universities of Oxford, Cambridge, and Dublin.

II. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the Second Year of • the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, intituled " An Act for the better Regulation of Attornies and Solicitors, it 6 is enacted, that the Judges of the several Courts of Common ' Law therein mentioned respectively, or any One or more 6 of them, shall, before they shall admit any Person to take 6 the Oath therein mentioned, examine and inquire, by such Ways and Means as they shall think proper, touching his ' Fitness and Capacity to act as an Attorney; and that the ' Master of the Rolls, or Two of the Masters of the Court of · Chancery, shall in like Manner, before he or they shall admit ' any Person to take the Oath therein mentioned, examine and ' inquire touching his Fitness and Capacity to act as a Solicitor, ' and that if the said Judges shall be satisfied that such Person • is duly qualified to be admitted to act as an Attorney, and the ' said Master of the Rolls or Two Masters in Chancery shall • be satisfied that such Person is duly qualified to be admitted • to act as a Solicitor, they are thereby respectively authorized ' to administer to such Person the Oath therein mentioned, ' and to admit and enrol him as an Attorney or Solicitor of ' such Court respectively, without any Fee or Reward, other 4 than One Shilling for administering such Oath : And whereas 6 other Fees, Gratuities, and Sums of Money beside the said · Fee of One Shilling have been in practice demanded or re-· ceived by Officers of the said Courts respectively; and it is ' expedient to repeal so much of the said last-recited Act as ' relates to the Fee payable upon such Admission, and to make ' other Regulations in lieu thereof: And whereas Regulations ' for ensuring the due Examination of Persons to be admitted • and

' and enrolled as Attornies or Solicitors of the said Courts of · Common Law and Equity have been made or approved by ' the Judges of the said Courts respectively; and it is expedient ^e that reasonable and certain Fees, in lieu of those now de-' manded and received as aforesaid, should be paid by the · Persons so to be admitted upon and for such Examination ' and Admission, and the Expences incident thereto:' Be it therefore enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act so much of the said last-recited Act of the Second Year of the Reign of King George the Second as relates to the Fee payable upon such Admissions shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

III. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of No Fees on this Act no Fees, Gratuities, or Sums of Money whatsoever, Examination of Admission of other than the Fees or Sums of Money mentioned in the Attornies, Schedule to this Act annexed, shall be demanded or received except those in by any Person or Persons upon the Examination or Admission Schedule. of Attornies or Solicitors in any of the said Courts respectively, upon any Pretence whatsoever.

IV. And be it enacted, That any Person who shall have been Attornies or duly admitted an Attorney in any One of Her Majesty's Courts Solicitors adof Law at Westminster shall be at liberty to practise in any Court may pracother of Her Majesty's Courts of Law at Westminster, although tise in and rehe may not have been admitted an Attorney thereof; and that cover Costs for Business transno Person, having been duly admitted an Attorney or Solicitor acted in another. in any of Her Majesty's Courts of Law or Equity at Westminster, shall be prevented from recovering or receiving the Amount of any Costs which would otherwise have been due to him by reason of his not being admitted an Attorney or Solicitor of the Court in which such Costs shall have been incurred: Provided always, that any Attorney or Solicitor practising in any Court of Law or Equity shall be subject to the Jurisdiction of such Court, as fully and completely, to all Intents and Purposes whatever, as if he had been duly admitted an Attorney or Solicitor of such Court.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended, altered, Act may be or repealed during the present Session of Parliament.

SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Act refers.

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CAP. LVII.

An Act to impose certain Duties of Excise on Sugar made from Beet Root in the United Kingdom.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to impose certain Duties of Excise on Sugar made or manufactured from Beet Root ' in the United Kingdom:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the Commencement of this Act there shall be charged, raised, levied, collected, and paid on every Hundred Weight of Sugar manufactured in the United 11. 4s. per Cwt. Kingdom from Beet Root, and so in proportion for any greater or lesser Quantity than a Hundred Weight, a Duty of One Pound Four Shillings.

> II. And be it further enacted, That the said Duties by this Act imposed shall be under the Management of the Commissioners of Excise, and shall be charged, raised, levied, collected, paid, and recovered and accounted for under the Authority of this Act, and in such and the like Manner, and in and by any of the general or special Means, Ways, or Methods, and under and subject to the like Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures, by which any other Duties of Excise are or may be charged, raised, levied, collected, paid, recovered, and accounted for; and all the Monies arising by the Duties by this Act imposed and made payable as aforesaid, the necessary Charges of raising, recovering, and accounting for the same excepted, shall from Time to Time be paid into the Receipt of Her Majesty's Exchequer at Westminster, and shall be carried to and made Part of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

> III. And be it further enacted, That every Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root shall, before he shall commence to make or manufacture any Sugar, or to prepare any Materials for the making or manufacturing of any Sugar, make a true and particular Entry in Writing of all and every Cylinder or Mill, Press, Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, and other Vessel or Utensil, Sugar-

Sugar manufactured from Beet Root to pay a Duty of

Duties to be under the Management of the Commissioners of Excise.

Manufacturers of Beet Root Sugar to make Entry of their Premises.

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Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store-room, and Place intended to be made use of by him for the making or keeping any Sugar, or the preparing any Materials for making the same, by delivering such Entry to the proper Officer of Excise authorized to receive the same; and in every such Entry every Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store-room, and Place, Cylinder or Mill, Press, Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, and other Vessel or Utensil, shall be

distinguished by a particular Number or Letter, or Number and Letter or Letters, and the respective Purpose for which the same is to be used shall be specified and described; and every such Entry shall also set forth the Name and Place of Abode of the Person or Persons making the same, and the Place where his or their Premises or Sugar-house shall be situated, and shall be signed by such Maker or Makers; and in default of making such Entry, such Maker shall for every unentered Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store-room, or Place, Cylinder or Mill, Press, Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, or other Vessel or Utensil, forfeit Two hundred Pounds, together with all Sugarjuice, Syrup, Materials, and Goods therein.

IV. And be it further enacted, That every Maker or Manu- Premises to be facturer of Sugar from Beet Root shall mark and number, and at all Times keep marked and numbered, every Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store-room, and Place, Cylinder or Mill, Press, Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, and other Vessel and Utensil, by him made use of for the making or manufacturing or keeping of such Sugar, with distinguishing Numbers or Letters, or Numbers and Letters, denoting the Purpose for which each is respectively used, and corresponding to the Description thereof in the Entry; and every Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store-room, and Place, Cylinder or Mill, Press, Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, and other Vessel and Utensil which shall not be so marked or numbered, or which shall not correspond with the Description in the Entry, or the Use whereof shall not be described and specified in the Entry, shall be deemed and taken to be unentered.

V. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Officers of Officer of Excise at all Times, by Day or by Night, upon his Excise may Request, to enter into every Sugar-house, Warehouse, Store- houses, and take room, or other Place whatsoever entered or made use of by any Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root for the making or manufacturing or keeping of such Sugar, and to inspect and examine the same, and all Sugar-juice, Syrup, Liquor, and Materials making into Sugar, and from Time to Time to examine, weigh, and take an Account of all Sugar, and to gauge or otherwise take an Account of the Capacity or Content of each and every Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, or other Vessel directed to be gauged or the Capacity thereof ascertained by this Act, or by any Order of the Commissioners of Excise, and also to examine, gauge, and take an Account of all the Juice, Syrup, Liquor, or Material making into Sugar in every such Vat, Copper, Cistern, Pan, or other Vessel or Utensil; and every Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root into whose Sugar-house or Premises aforesaid any Officer of Excise shall

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shall on his Request be prevented or hindered from entering, or having entered shall be hindered or prevented from doing any such Act as aforesaid, shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds.

VI. And be it further enacted, That no Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root shall make use of any Syrupcistern, or any Vat, Copper, Pan, or other Vessel or Utensil directed by the Commissioners of Excise to be gauged and the Dimensions thereof ascertained, before the same shall have been gauged and tabled by the Supervisor or other proper Officer of Excise, on pain of forfeiting Twenty Pounds for every Day the same shall be so used.

VII. And be it further enacted, That no such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root shall in any Manner alter, or suffer to be altered, the Size, Position, or Level of any Syrup-cistern, or any Vat, Copper, Pan, or other Vessel or Utensil, directed to be gauged and tabled, at any Time after the Supervisor or proper Officer of Excise shall have gauged and ascertained the Capacity or Content thereof, except on Notice in Writing to the Officer of Excise of the intended Alteration, on pain of forfeiting One hundred Pounds.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar shall from Time to Time, at least Four Hours before he shall begin to rasp, grind, or mash any Beet Root for the making of Sugar, deliver to the proper Officer of Excise a Notice in Writing, in which shall be set forth the Day and Hour when such rasping, grinding, or mashing is to be commenced, on pain of forfeiting One hundred Pounds for every Omission to give such Notice.

IX. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar shall from Time to Time, when and as often as any Juice or Syrup shall be clarified and run into and collected in the Syrup-cistern, immediately and without Delay deliver to the proper Officer of Excise a Declaration in Writing specifying the particular Syrup-cistern, if there shall be more than One in the House in which such Juice or Syrup shall be contained, and setting forth the Quantity of such Juice or Syrup, and the particular Gravity thereof, and thereupon the Officer of Excise shall attend and take an Account of the Quantity and Gravity of such Juice or Syrup; and no Part of such Juice or Syrup shall be drawn off or removed from the Syrup-cistern for the Space of Two Hours after such Declaration shall have been delivered, unless the proper Officer of Excise shall have previously taken an Account of the Quantity and Gravity thereof; and every such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar in whose Sugar-house any Juice or Syrup shall be drawn off or removed from the Syrup-cistern without such Declaration as aforesaid having been delivered, or before the Expiration of Two Hours after such Declaration having been delivered (except as aforesaid,) or by whom or on whose Behalf any untrue Declaration of the Quantity or Gravity of the Juice or Syrup in the Syrup-cistern shall be delivered, shall forfeit One hundred Pounds.

Syrup-cistern, &c. to be gauged, not to be made use of until gauged and tabled.

Size or Position of any Vessel not to be altered after having been gauged and tabled, except on Notice.

Notice to be given of every grinding or mashing of Beet Root to be made into Sugar.

When Juice or Syrup is collected in the Syrup-pan, a Declaration of the Quantity and Gravity to be given to the Officer, who is to attend and take an Account of it.

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X. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Officer may take Officer of Excise from Time to Time, and whenever and as Samples from the Sympoften as he shall deem it expedient, to take any Sample or cistern, and the Samples of any Juice or Syrup in any Syrup-cistern in the Gravity of such Sugar-house of every such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar, Samples to be in order that such Officer may ascertain the Gravity of such Gravity of the Juice or Syrup, and from such Part of any such Syrup-cistern whole Contents as such Officer shall think proper; and the Gravity of any such of the Cistern. Sample so taken shall be and be held to be the true Gravity of the whole Contents of the Syrup-cistern from which any such Sample shall be so taken: Provided always, that before any such Sample shall be so taken, all the Liquor contained in any such Syrup-cistern may be stirred and mixed up or mixed together by such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar, or by any Person in his Employ, if they shall think fit so to do.

XI. And be it further enacted, That after the Officer of The Juice or Excise shall have ascertained and taken an Account of the Syrup, after the Quantity and Gravity of the Juice or Syrup in the Syrup- Gravity shall Gravity shall cistern, or at the Expiration of Two Hours after such Declara- have been ascertion as aforesaid shall have been delivered, all such Juice or tained, to be run Syrup shall be run off from such Cistern and removed into the off to the Sugar-pan, and kept Sugar-pan, and continued in the Process of being made into separate during Sugar; and after such Declaration as aforesaid shall have been the Process of delivered, no other Juice, Syrup, or Sugar shall be added to until charged. or mixed with such Juice or Syrup in respect of which such Declaration shall have been delivered, but the same shall be kept separate and distinct in the Process of Manufacture, until the Sugar, the Produce thereof, shall have been weighed and charged with Duty; and if such Juice or Syrup shall not be so kept separate and distinct in the Process or Manufacture, or if any other Juice, Syrup, or Sugar shall be added thereto, the Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar shall forfeit One hundred Pounds.

XII. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or when the Manufacturer of Sugar shall, within Two Days after all the Manufacture of Sugar produced from any Juice or Syrup in respect of which Sugar is comsuch Declaration as aforesaid shall have been delivered, or of to be given of which such Account shall have been taken in the Syrup-cistern, the Time when shall be made, and the Manufacture thereof completed, give to it will be ready to be weighed. the Officer of Excise under whose Survey he shall be a Notice in Writing, specifying the Day and Hour when such Sugar will be ready to be weighed and charged with Duty; and thereupon such Officer shall attend and weigh and take an Account of all such Sugar, and shall charge the same with Duty, in the Manner herein-after mentioned; and if any such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar shall refuse or neglect to give such Notice, or shall remove such Sugar, or any Part thereof, without having given such Notice, or before the Officers of Excise shall have weighed and taken an Account of the same, he shall forfeit Two hundred Pounds.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That for and in respect of Mode of charge every Gallon of Juice or Syrup which shall be made in the ing the Duty: Sugar-

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First, from the Gravity of the Syrup;

Second, by the Weight of the Sugar produced.

Officer of Excise to make out a Return of the Duty every Six Weeks, and charge the Maker by whichever Mode will produce the highest Amount of Duty.

Any Saccharometer prescribed by the Commissioners of Excise may be used for ascertaining the Gravity of the Syrup. Sugar-house of any Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar from Beet Root, and run into and collected in the Syrup-cistern, the Officer of Excise shall charge such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar for a Quantity of Sugar, in proportion to the Gravity of such Juice or Syrup, as set forth in the Declaration thereof, or as ascertained and taken account of by such Officer, according to a Table to be prepared under the Directions of and approved

by the Commissioners of Excise for showing the Quantity of Sugar contained in any given Quantity of Jnice or Syrup, according to the specific Gravity thereof, as ascertained by the Saccharometer, after making an Allowance of Fifty per Centum on such Quantity for Molasses, Drainage, and Wash.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That whenever any Officer of Excise shall weigh and take an Account of any Sugar made at the Sugar-house of any such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar after the same shall have been manufactured and finished, such Officer shall charge the Maker or Manufacturer of such Sugar on the full Quantity of Sugar which he shall so weigh and take an Account of, exclusive of any Waste or Drainage which may have run therefrom.

XV. And be it further enacted, That every Officer of Excise under whose Survey any such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar shall be, or any other Officer who shall be appointed so to do, shall from Time to Time, at the Expiration of every Six Weeks or at such other Times as the Commissioners of Excise shall direct, make out and deliver to the Collector of Excise, or to such Person or Persons as the Commissioners of Excise shall appoint to receive the same, an Account or Return in Writing of the Quantity of Sugar for which such Maker of Sugar shall have become chargeable with Duty in such preceding Six Weeks or Period, and of the Duty payable thereon; and every such Officer is hereby required in every such Return to charge and such Officer shall charge such Maker or Manufacturer according to whichever of the Modes of charging herein-before prescribed shall produce the highest Amount of Duty; and such Officer shall also leave a Copy of such Account or Return with such Maker or Manufacturer, and the Account or Return of such Officer shall be a Charge on every such Maker or Manufacturer of Sugar, who shall pay and clear off the Duty appearing by such Account or Return to have become due within Six Days after such Account or Return shall have been made, or in default thereof shall forfeit Double the Amount of such Duty.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That any such Saccharometer may be used for ascertaining the Gravity of Juice or Syrup for the Charge of Duty under the Provisions of this Act as shall from Time to Time be ordered and prescribed by any Order of the Commissioners of Excise; and all Juice and Syrup shall for the Purposes of this Act be deemed and taken to be of the Gravity at which such Saccharometer shall on the Application thereof denote or indicate such Juice or Syrup to be: Provided always, that it shall not be necessary on the Trial of any Information, Information, Action, Suit, or other Proceeding to produce or give in Evidence any such Order of the Commissioners of Excise for the Use of any such Saccharometer.

XVII. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or Makersof Sugar Manufacturer of Sugar shall and he is hereby required to pro- to keep Scales vide and keep in his Sugar-house just and sufficient Scales and Weights, and Weights, affixed and placed in a proper and convenient Officers of Ex-Place to be approved of by the Supervisor or Surveyor of cise to use Excise; and every such Maker or Manufacturer shall permit and suffer any Officer of Excise to use the said Scales and Weights for the Purpose of weighing and taking an Account of all the Sugar which shall be at any Time in the Possession of any such Maker or Manufacturer; and every such Maker or Penalty for Manufacturer of Sugar who shall neglect to keep such Scales Neglect, 1001.; and Weights so affixed and placed as aforesaid, or who shall not permit or suffer any Officer of Excise to use the same, shall forfeit One hundred Pounds; and every such Maker or Manu- for using false facturer who shall in the weighing of any Sugar make use of, or procure or suffer to be made use of, any false or unjust or insufficient Scales or Weights, or who shall make use of any Force or Violence, or practise any Art, Device, or Contrivance, by which any Officer of Excise may be hindered or prevented or deceived in taking the true Account or Weight of any Sugar, or charging the true Amount of Duty thereon, shall forfeit Three hundred Pounds, together with all the Sugar weighed or produced to be weighed at the Time of such Offence, and all such unjust or insufficient Scales or Weights.

XVIII. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker Maker of Sugar or Manufacturer of Sugar shall, when and as often as he shall to assist with be thereto required by any Officer of Excise, aid and assist the weighing. Officers of Excise with a sufficient Number of his Workmen or Servants in weighing and taking an Account of all Sugar in the Possession of such Maker or Manufacturer required to be weighed under the Provisions of this Act, on pain of forfeiting for every Refusal or Neglect One hundred Pounds.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or Sugar not Manufacturer of Sugar shall at all Times keep all Sugar which charged to be shall not have been charged with Duty senarate and apart from kept separate shall not have been charged with Duty separate and apart from from that which all Sugar which shall have been so weighed and charged, on has been. pain of forfeiting One hundred Pounds.

XX. And be it further enacted, That every such Maker or Penalty on Manufacturer of Sugar who shall hide or conceal, or cause to evading the Duty. be hidden or concealed, or shall remove, or convey away or deposit, or cause to be removed, or conveyed away from, or deposited in any Place, any Sugar, or any Juice or Syrup, to evade the Duties chargeable thereon, or any Part of such Duties, or before the full Duties shall have been charged thereon, shall, over and above every other Penalty to which he may in so doing become subject, forfeit Five hundred Pounds.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That all the Powers, Provi- Provisions of sions, Clauses, and Enactments, Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures 7&8 G. 4. c. 53. contained in an Act passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of and 4&5 W.4.

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the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Collection and Management of the Revenue of Excise throughout Great Britain and Ireland, and of an Act passed in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to amend the Laws relating to the Collection and Management of the Revenue of Excise, shall, except when otherwise hereby provided for, extend to and be applied to this Act, and to the Duties hereby granted, and Penalties and Forfeitures hereby imposed.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect from and after the passing thereof.

XXIII. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be altered, amended, or repealed by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. LVIII.

An Act to revive and continue, until the Sixth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight, an Act of the last Session of Parliament, for suspending Proceedings for recovering Payment of the Money advanced under the Acts for establishing Tithe Compositions in *Ireland*. [15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to suspend, until the Sixth ' Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, Pro-' ceedings for recovering Payment of the Money advanced under ' the Acts for establishing Tithe Compositions in Ireland: And • whereas it is expedient to revive and continue the said Act: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Powers and Authorities by the said recited Act vested in the Commissioners of His late Majesty King William the Fourth's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland shall and may be exercised by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, and all the Powers, Provisions, Matters, and Things in the said Act contained shall be revived and shall be further continued until the Sixth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

CAP. LIX.

An Act to postpone until the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine the Repayment of certain Sums advanced by the Bank of *Ireland* for the Public Service. [15th July 1837.] WHEREAS an Act was passed in the First and Second Years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the 1&2 G.4. c. 72 . Fourth, intituled An Act to establish an Agreement with the · Governor

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· Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland for advancing • the Sum of Five hundred thousand Pounds Irish Currency, and

' to empower the said Governor and Company to enlarge the Capital Stock or Fund of the said Bank to Three Millions : And whereas another Act was passed in the Third Year of the · Reign of His said Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled ' An Act to reduce the Rate of Interest payable on the Sum of 3 G. 4. c. 26. • One million two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds advanced by ' the Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland for the Public Service, under an Act made in the Forty-eighth Year of His ' late Majesty : And whereas the respective Sums of Five hun-' dred thousand Pounds and One million two hundred and fifty ' thousand Pounds advanced by the Governor and Company of • the Bank of Ireland for the Public Service were by the said " Acts directed to be repaid on the First Day of January One 4 thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight: And whereas the ' Governor and Company of the Bank of Ireland have agreed ' that the Time for such Repayment should be postponed:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said respective Time for Re-Sums of Five hundred thousand Pounds Irish Currency and payment of cer-One million two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds Irish vanced by Bank Currency shall be repaid to the Governor and Company of the of Ireland Bank of Ireland on the First Day of January One thousand postponed. eight hundred and thirty-nine, instead of the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, as directed by the said Acts; and that all Powers, Provisions, Matters, and Things in the said Acts contained relating to the said Sums and to the said Day shall extend to the Day hereby appointed for the Repayment of the said Sums in the same Manner as if the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-nine had been originally named in the said recited Acts,

CAP. LX.

An Act for correcting mistaken References to His late Majesty in Acts of this Session of Parliament.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS several Acts were agreed upon by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Commons, in this ⁴ present Parliament assembled, during the Reign of His late ' Majesty King William the Fourth, of blessed Memory, which ' had not received the Royal Assent at the Time of the Demise ' of His late Majesty: And whereas several other Acts and ' Bills which were first moved during the Reign of His late 4 Majesty are yet under the Consideration of Parliament: And ' whereas in some of the said Acts and Bills are Recitals, 4 References, and Enactments which in Words refer to His ' Majesty and to Acts of His Majesty's Reign, which Recitals, ' References, and Enactments were proper at the Time when ' the

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' the said Acts and Bills were first moved, but have become · incorrect by reason of the Accession of our Sovereign Lady ' Victoria, the Queen that now is: And whereas it is expedient ' to guard against any Doubt which may therefrom arise:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That every Act of this present Session of Parliament which shall have received the Royal Assent subsequent to the Demise of His late Majesty, and in which any Act of Parliament passed in the Reign of His late Majesty shall be referred to, either by way of Recital, Reference, Enactment, or otherwise, as if His Majesty still continued to reign, shall be taken to refer to every such lastmentioned Act of Parliament correctly as of the Reign of His late Majesty, and that no such incorrect or mistaken Reference as is herein-before recited shall in anywise impeach or affect any Act of Parliament passed or to be passed in this present Session of Parliament, or any Clause or Provision thereof.

CAP. LXI.

An Act to extend an Exemption granted by an Act of the last Session of Parliament from the Duties of Assessed Taxes, in respect of certain Carriages with less than Four Wheels, and to amend the Laws relating to the said Duties. [15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by several Acts passed respectively in the Forty-third, Forty-eighth, and Fifty-second Years of the Reign of King George the Third certain Duties of Assessed 6 6 Taxes were granted and made payable in respect of Carriages with less than Four Wheels, and by the same Acts respectively 6 certain lower Rates of the said Duties were made payable in 6 respect of certain inferior Descriptions of such Carriages called "Taxed Carts," provided the Owner's Christian and
Surname and Place of Abode, and other Particulars in the said Acts respectively mentioned, should be painted on such · Carriages in the Manner therein mentioned, in Words at full · Length, each of the Letters thereof being at least One Inch in Length and of a Breadth in proportion: And whereas by an • Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of King George • the Fourth the said Carriages called "Taxed Carts," having • such Particulars so painted thereon as aforesaid, were wholly exempted from the said Duties: And whereas by an Act passed in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His · late Majesty King William the Fourth the Duties of Assessed ' Taxes were repealed in respect of certain other inferior Carriages with less than Four Wheels, provided such Carriages were built and constructed in the Manner specified in the ' said last-mentioned Act, and provided that every such Carriage shall have the Christian and Surname or Names • and

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and Places of Abode, Occupation or Calling of the Owner ' or Owners marked or painted thereon in Roman Characters, ' and in Words at Length, each of the Letters being at least ' One Inch in Height, and of a proper and proportionate Breadth: And whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth and ' Seventh Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty a further ' Exemption was granted from the said Duties of Assessed ' Taxes in respect of certain other Carriages with less than Four ' Wheels, provided, amongst other things, that every such Car-' riage respectively should have the Christian Name and Sur-' name, and Place of Abode, and Occupation or Calling of the ' Owner and of every Owner thereof, painted in Words at · Length, and in legible and conspicuous Roman Letters or ' Characters, Two Inches at the least in Height, and of a proper ' and proportionate Breadth, upon the Outside of such Carriage, ' in manner in the said last-recited Act mentioned : And whereas ' it is expedient to allow the said last-mentioned Exemption in ' Cases where such Letters or Characters so painted as aforesaid ' shall be of a less Height than Two Inches, provided the same ' shall be of the Height of One Inch at the least :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That upon all Assessments made Exemption or to be made for any Year commencing from or at any Time granted by 6&7 W.4. c 65. after the Fifth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and extended to thirty-seven the said last-mentioned Exemption shall extend to Two-wheel every such Carriage in that Behalf mentioned and described having certain in the said last-recited Act whereon the several Particulars in Particulars the said last-recited Act specified shall be painted, in the Manner painted thereon therein mentioned, in distinct Words at Length, and in legible in Letters One Inch in Height. and conspicuous Roman Letters or Characters One Inch at the least in Height, and of a proper and proportionate Breadth.

II. 'And whereas by the Acts in force relating to the Duties Carriages need ' of Assessed Taxes all Coachmakers and Makers of Carriages, not be described in the Accounts ' and all Sellers of Carriages by Auction or on Commission, and Returns of ' and all Persons letting to Hire any Carriages, are respectively Coachmakers required to enter in a Book an Account of all Carriages by and others, otherwise than ' them respectively built and constructed for Sale, or sold or let by the Number ' to Hire, containing, amongst other Particulars, a Description of Wheels ' of every such Carriage, distinguishing the Number of Wheels ' of each; and all such Persons as aforesaid are also required ' to deliver a true Copy in Writing of every such Entry, verified ' on Oath or Affirmation, to the Assessor or Assessors of the ' Parish or Place in which they respectively reside, or to the ' Surveyor or Inspector of the said Duties : And whereas the 'describing of such Carriages has been found to be attended with Difficulty and Inconvenience to the Persons required to ' make such Entries and to deliver Copies thereof as aforesaid;' for the Relief of such Persons, be it enacted, That in any such Entry as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to describe any [No. 25. Price 2d.] Βb Carriage

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Carriage further or otherwise than by stating the Number of Wheels thereof.

III. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the Forty-third ' Year of the Reign of King George the Third, for repealing ' the several Duties under the Management of the Commis-' sioners for the Affairs of Taxes, and granting new Duties ' in lieu thereof, and for other Purposes therein mentioned, the ' respective Commissioners of the Duties of Assessed Taxes are ' thereby required, as soon as the Assessment of the said Duties shall be made, to issue out and deliver to the respective Col-·lectors their Warrants for the speedy and effectual levying and ' collecting the said Duties as the same shall become payable ' as therein mentioned; and it is thereby enacted that such ' Part thereof as cannot be so levied and collected may be reco-' verable as a Debt upon Record to the King's Majesty, His ' Heirs and Successors, with full Costs of Suit, and all Charges ' attending the same : And whereas by another Act passed in ' the said Forty-third Year of the Reign of King George the ' Third, intituled An Act for consolidating certain of the Provi-' sions contained in any Act or Acts relating to the Duties under the • Management of the Commissioners for the Affairs of Taxes, and for ' amending the same, it is enacted, that the Commissioners of Taxes shall make out their Schedules, containing the Sums ' discharged from Assessment for any Cause specially allowed ' by Law, and the Sums with which each and every Defaulter • ought to be charged, and the Sums which shall not have been ' collected by occasion of the Collector's Neglect, and which ' ought to be re-assessed on the Parish, Ward, or Place, and shall cause the said several Particulars to be inserted in a Sche-' dule fairly written on Parchment, under the Hands and Seals ' of such Commissioners, or any Two or more of them, containing the Names and Surnames of the said Collectors, and the same to be delivered to the Receiver General, to be returned ' by such Receiver General into His Majesty's Court of Exche-· quer, whereupon every Person so making Default of Payment, ' and each Parish, Ward, or Place so in default, may be charged · by Process of Court, according to the Course thereof in that 'Behalf: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William 5&6W.4. c.20. 4 the Fourth, intituled An Act to consolidate certain Offices in • the Collection of the Revenues of Stamps and Taxes, and to amend " the Laws relating thereto, it is enacted, that all such Schedules • as aforesaid which shall be made out at any Time after the · Commencement of the said Act shall be delivered over or ' transmitted by the Receiver General, Receiving Inspector, or other Receiver to whom the same shall have been delivered ' to the Commissioners of Stamps and Taxes, and shall be · deposited and remain in the Head Office of the said last-men-' tioned Commissioners; and that the Production of any Sche-' dule so deposited, and purporting to contain the Name or ' Names of any such Defaulter or Defaulters as aforesaid, shall • be

45 G. S. c. 99. s. 45.

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43 G. 3. c. 161. s. 23.

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be conclusive Evidence against any Person named therein as making Default of Payment, and against every Parish, Ward, or Place named therein as in default of the Sum or ' Sums mentioned in any such Schedule being due and owing 6 and in arrear and unpaid to His Majesty, His Heirs and ' Successors, unless Payment thereof shall be proved; and that ' every such Sum shall be recoverable from the Person and ⁴ Persons making Default of Payment thereof as a Debt upon ⁶ Record to the King's Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, with ⁴ full Costs of Suit, and all Charges attending the same : And * whereas Doubts have arisen as to the Construction of the said • Acts, and it is expedient to amend the same:' Be it therefore enacted, That all and every the said Duties of Assessed Taxes For removing contained, charged, or assessed in or by any Assessment already Doubts as to made or to be at any Time hereafter made may be sued or prosecuted for and recovered, with full Costs of Suit and all Charges against Deattending the same, of and from the Person and Persons respec- faulters for the tively charged therewith, in Her Majesty's Court of Exchequer Arrears of at Westminster, by Information in the Name of Her Majesty's Assessed Taxes. Attorney General, as a Debt or Debts due to the Queen's Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, or by any other Ways or Means whereby any Debt of Record or otherwise due to the Queen's Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, can or may at any Time be sued or prosecuted for or recovered, as well as by the summary Means specially provided by the said Acts or any of them for levying the said Duties; and in any Proceeding for the Recovery of any of the said Duties, the Production of any Schedule made or purporting to be made in pursuance of the said Act in that Behalf passed in the Forty-third Year of the Reign of King George the Third, and purporting to contain the Name or Names of any such Defaulter or Defaulters as aforesaid, shall be sufficient Evidence of the Sum or Sums mentioned in any such Schedule having been duly charged and assessed upon such Defaulter or Defaulters respectively, and of the same being due and owing, and in arrear and unpaid to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors.

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An Act to authorize Her Majesty, until Six Months July 2 Ve. 102 after the Commencement of the next Session of Par- 148 16.26 liament, to carry into immediate Execution, by Orders in Council, any Treaties, Conventions, or Stipulations made with any Foreign Power or State for the Suppression of the Slave Trade. [15th July 1837.] WHEREAS the Two Houses of Parliament did, by their Addresses of June the Sixth One thousand eight hun-' dred and six, June the Twenty-seventh One thousand eight ' hundred and fourteen, July the Ninth One thousand eight ' hundred and seventcen, July the Seventh One thousand eight * hundred and nineteen, and May the Ninth One thousand

eight hundred and thirty-five, request Their late most Gracious Bb 2

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Majesties King George the Third and King William the Fourth to conclude Treaties for the effectual Suppression of the Slave Trade : And whereas Her Majesty is at the present Time engaged in negotiation with certain Foreign Powers for the Purpose of concluding such Treaties with them: And whereas it may happen that some such Treaties may be concluded during the Time that Parliament is not sitting: And whereas in such Case Delay would take place in carrying into execution the Stipulations of such Treaties, and much Crime might be perpetrated during the Interval that might elapse between the Ratification of such Treaties and the Time when Parliament might pass Acts authorizing the Crown to carry the same into execution: And whereas it would materially tend to further the Accomplishment of the Objects ' which the Two Houses of Parliament had in view when they ' addressed Their said late Majesties as aforesaid, if the Crown ' were to be empowered to carry such Treaties into immediate ' Execution:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by any Order or Orders in Council, to direct that such Treaties or Conventions and all Stipulations contained therein, and also all additional Stipulations to any former Treaties or Conventions which Her Majesty may have concluded or may hereafter conclude with any Foreign Power or State for the more effectual Suppression of the Slave Trade, shall be carried into immediate Execution, and for that Purpose to declare and direct in such Orders of Council that all Searches, Examinations, Detentions, Seizures, Condemnations, and Sales of Ships or Vessels detained, seized, or captured for any Violations of the Provision of any such Treaties, Conventions, or Stipulations, shall be legal; and also by any such Order or Orders in Council to establish Tribunals for the trying and deciding all Questions which may arise under such Treaties, Conventions, or Stipulations, and for the Condemnation of any such Vessels as aforesaid, and for punishing the Violation of any such Treaties, Conventions, or Stipulations, and for adjudging and enforcing the Payment of any Penalties for any such Violation, or to authorize any Tribunal which may have been heretofore established to act in relation to the enforcing such Treaties, Conventions, or Stipulations aforesaid; and also to authorize the Payment of such Bounties as are allowed in any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force for the Suppression of the Slave Trade to the Persons detaining, seizing, or capturing any such Vessels; and it shall be lawful for Her Majesty in any such Order or Orders in Council to declare that all Clauses and Provisions, Powers, and Authorities contained in, and all Penalties and Forfeitures imposed by any Act or Acts of Parliament now in force for the carrying into execution or giving effect to any Treaty, Convention, or Stipulation heretofore made with any Foreign Power or State, or in any other Act

Her Majesty may, by Order in Council, direct that Treaties for the Suppression of the Slave Trade becarried into immediate Execution.

Act or Acts of Parliament in force for the Suppression of the Slave Trade, as shall be specified or referred to in any such Order or Orders in Council, shall be applied and put in force for the Purpose of carrying into immediate Execution any such Treaty, Convention, or additional Stipulation first above mentioned; and upon the issuing of any such Order or Orders in Council all the Directions, Powers, and Authorities contained therein, and all Clauses, Provisions, Powers, Authorities, Penalties, and Forfeitures referred to in any such Order or Orders, and contained in any such Act or Acts of Parliament aforesaid, shall have the same and like Force and Effect; and all Acts, Matters, and Things done under the Authority thereof, and all Acts and Judgments of any Tribunals under the same, shall be valid and effectual, as fully to all Intents and Purposes as if the same had been enacted in an Act of Parliament.

II. And be it enacted, That this Act, and all Orders in Continuance Council issued under the Authority thereof, shall continue in force until the Expiration of Six Months after the Commencement of the next Session of Parliament.

CAP. LXIII.

An Act to defray the Charge of the Pay, Clothing, and contingent and other Expences of the Disembodied Militia in Great Britain and Ireland; and to grant Allowances in certain Cases to Subaltern Officers, Adjutants, Paymasters, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, Surgeons Mates, and Serjeant Majors of the Militia, until the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is necessary that Provision should be made for defraying the Charge of the Pay, Clothing, and ' contingent and other Expences of the Regular Militia, and of the Miners of Cornwall and Devon, when disembodied, in Great Britain and Ireland; and for making in certain Cases. Allowances of Reduced Pay to Subaltern Officers and Surgeons Mates and Assistant Surgeons of the Regular Militia, 6 and of the Miners of Devon and Cormoall, while disembodied; 6 • and Allowances to Adjutants, Paymasters, Surgeons, Quarter-' masters, and Serjeant Majors of the Regular Militia, who have been or may be reduced, and to Adjutants, Surgeons, and
Quartermasters disabled after long Service: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Secretary at War for the Secretary at Time being may and shall, and he is hereby authorized, War to issue empowered, and required to cause to be issued and paid the quired for the whole Sum required for the Regular Militia of Great Britain Pay of the Reand Ireland (when disembodied), in the Manner and for the gular Militia. B b 3. several

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several Uses herein-after mentioned; (that is to say,) for the Pay of the said Regular Militia at the Rates following; (that is to say,)

Rates of Pay.

For each Adjutant, Eight Shillings per Diem:

- For each Serjeant Major, having been Serjeant Major of a Provisional Battalion of Militia, Two Shillings and Sixpence per Diem:
- For each Serjeant Major, where one is appointed in Corps consisting of Two or more Companies, One Shilling and Ten-pence per Diem:
- For each Serjeant, having been a Colour Serjeant in one of the Provisional Battalions of Militia, Two Shillings *per Diem*: For each Serjeant, One Shilling and Sixpence *per Diem*:

Rates of Pay when absent on Furlough.

Clothing.

Provided always, that when any Serjeant Major or Serjeant shall be absent on Furlough or Licence, he shall during such Absence receive Sixpence *per Diem* less than the above-mentioned Rates respectively.

And also for the Clothing of the Regular Militia (when disembodied), in Cases in which full Clothing shall be provided by the Colonel or Commandant, at the Rate of Five Pounds Twelve Shillings and One Penny for each Serjeant Major, and Three Pounds for each Serjeant; and so in proportion, in the Cases in which only Part of the Clothing shall be provided by the Colonel or Commandant, together with the actual Expence of Package and Carriage, and such Charges for altering and fitting the Clothing as shall have been sanctioned by the Secretary at War: Provided always, that such Serjeant Majors and Serjeants as were serving on the Disembodied Staff on the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine, and shall be resident at Head Quarters, shall be entitled to be clothed once in Two Years; and that such as shall have been subsequently appointed to serve or promoted on the Disembodied Staff shall be entitled to be clothed once in Four Years:

And also at the Rate of Sixpence *per Annum* for each Private Man for defraying the contingent Expences of each Regiment, Battalion, or Corps.

II. And be it further enacted, That every Adjutant and Noncommissioned Officer on the Staff of the Regular Militia, when disembodied, shall be constantly resident within the City, Town, or Place where the Depôt of the Corps to which they belong may be ordered to be stationed, or within such reasonable Distance of the Depôt as shall be sanctioned by the Secretary at War: Provided always, that every such Adjutant and Noncommissioned Officer shall forfeit his Pay for any Period during which he shall be absent, except when absent by Leave from the Colonel or Commandant of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, which Leave shall not, except in case of certified Sickness, extend beyond Three Calendar Months in One Year, nor to a greater Proportion than One Third of the Non-commissioned Officers at the same Time.

III. And be it further enacted, That the Adjutant of each Regiment of Militia shall have the Charge and Care of the 5 Arms,

Contingent Fund.

Adjutant, &c. to reside where the Arms of the Corps are kept.

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Arms, Accoutrements, Great Coats, Clothing, Necessaries, and Clothing, and to issue the other Stores thereof, under the Superintendence of the Colonel or Commandant; and shall out of the Allowance of Sixpence tingent Exper Annum for each Private Man, directed by this Act to be pences on an issued and paid for defraying the contingent Expences of such the Colonel. Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, from Time to Time issue and pay such Sums of Money as may be necessary for the Repair of Arms, and other usual contingent Expences, upon an Order in Writing signed by the Colonel or other Commandant; and after Balance te form Payment of such Sums as aforesaid he shall Three Times in a Stock Purse. the Year make up Accounts of all such Money, and of the Expenditure thereof, showing the Balance remaining in his Hands, (which said Balance shall form a Stock Purse for the Use of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps,) and shall transmit the same to the Colonel or other Commandant of such Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, to be by him examined, allowed, and signed; and the said Accounts so allowed and signed shall be and are hereby directed to be the proper Vouchers and Acquittal of such Adjutant for the Application and Disposal of such Money.

IV. And be it further enacted, That in the occasional and In Absence of unavoidable Absence of the Adjutant from the City, Town, or the Adjutant, Place where the disembodied Staff is quartered, or during any the Serjeants, Vacancy in the Appointment of Adjutant, the Serjeants shall the Command be under the Command of the Serjeant Major, or of some of the Serjeant. Major. Serjeant who shall be appointed by the said Adjutant, with the Approbation of the Colonel or other Commanding Officer, to act as Serjeant Major during the Absence of such Adjutant; and the said Serjeant Major or acting Serjeant Major shall render the same Returns and perform such other Acts as are by Law required from the Adjutant.

V. And be it further enacted, That the Officers and Non- Militis when commissioned Officers, Drummers, and Private Men of the called out for Training or Regular Militia shall, for the Period or Periods during which Exercise enthey shall be called out for the Purpose of Exercise or Training, used to Pay. be entitled to the same Pay and Allowances as the Officers, Non commissioned Officers, Drummers, and Private Men of the Militia when embodied.

VI. 'And whereas it is expedient to grant Allowances to Allowances to ' certain Officers of the said Militia Forces of Great Britain and Subalterns and ' Ireland, while disembodied, under certain Regulations;' be and Assistant it further enacted, That the following Allowances shall be Surgeons. made and paid, to the Amount, under the Restrictions, and in the Manner herein-after expressed, to every Subaltern Officer and Surgeon's Mate in Great Britain, and to every Subaltern Officer and Assistant Surgeon in Ireland, who held a Commission in the Militia of Great Britain or Ireland, and was serving therein, when the Corps was last disembodied, and also to every Supernumerary Subaltern Officer and Assistant Surgeon of any Regiment of Militia in Ireland which was augmented during the War, and which has been reduced to its original Establishment; (that is to say,)

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To a Lieutenant, Two Shillings and Sixpence per Diem: To an Ensign, Two Shillings per Diem:

And to a Surgeon's Mate or Assistant Surgeon, Two Shillings and Sixpence per Diem: Provided always, that for the Purposes of this Act all Officers of

the Militia serving with the Rank of Captain-Lieutenants shall be deemed to be Lieutenants, and all Officers serving with the Rank of Second Lieutenant shall be deemed to be Ensigns; and that the Supernumerary Subalterns and Assistant Surgeons of Regiments of Militia in *Ireland* as aforesaid shall be deemed to have belonged to such Regiments when they were last disembodied, and to have continued to serve therein from that Time.

VII. Provided also, and be it further enacted, That no Per-

VIII. And be it further enacted, That the Subaltern Officers,

Surgeons Mates, and Assistant Surgeons of the Militia, who

shall claim under the Authority of this Act to receive any Part

of the said Allowances, shall, previous to receiving the same, and in order to entitle themselves thereto, take and subscribe a Declaration before some one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace of the United Kingdom, or before some one of Her

son who is or shall during the Continuance of this Act become

possessed of such an Estate or Income as would by Law qualify him to hold the Commission of Captain of a Company in the said Militia, or who is or shall be appointed Adjutant in any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of Militia, nor any Officer on Full Pay of the Navy, Army, or Marines, shall have or be in any way entitled to the said Allowances, or any Part or Share thereof; any thing herein contained to the contrary thereof in

Rank of certain Officers.

Certain Persons not entitled to Allowances.

Declaration to be taken to entitle Officers, &c. to such Allowances.

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Majesty's Ministers, Secretaries of Embassy, of Legation, or Consuls Abroad, in the Words or to the Effect following; (videlicet,) I A.B. do solemnly and sincerely declare, That I belonged to the of Militia when the same was 6 disembodied, and that I have continued to serve therein from 6 that Time until the Day of inclusive. as a [Lieutenant, Ensign, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon, as the Case may be]; and that I was not in my own Right, 6 or in the Right of my Wife, during any Part of the Period for 6 which I now claim to receive my Allowance, that is to say, 6 from the Day of to the 6 Day of both inclusive, in the actual Possession and Enjoyment or Receipt of the Rents and Profits of Lands, • Tenements, or Hereditaments of such an annual Value above · Reprizes as would qualify me to hold a Commission of Captain 6 of a Company in the Militia; that I was not in Holy Orders; • that I have not during the above Period held the Appointment of Adjutant, Surgeon, Paymaster, or Quartermaster in • any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of Militia; that I did not hold or enjoy, nor did any Person for me hold or enjoy, during ' the said Period, any Place, Office, or Employment of Profit,

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besides the Allowance of except my Half Pay as a

' Militia, as the Case may be], and any Pay and Allowances from

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and Exercise.'

Which Declaration, so taken and subscribed, shall be produced to the Paymaster General of Her Majesty's Forces by the Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon claiming the Allowance.

IX. And be it further enacted, That the Allowances granted Allowances to to certain Paymasters, Surgeons, and Quartermasters of the Officers reduced Militia of Great Britain and Ireland, on their being reduced in pursuance of an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, shall be issued and paid, under the Restrictions and in the Manner herein-after expressed, during the Continuance of this Act, and that it shall be lawful for the Secretary at War to place any such Paymaster, Surgeon, or Quartermaster, when unfit for further Duty, upon a retired Allowance equal to and in lieu of his reduced Allowance.

X. And be it further enacted, That every Paymaster, Surgeon, Declaration to and Quartermaster of Militia, who shall claim under the Autho- be taken by rity of this Act to receive any Part of the said Allowances, ing the said shall, previous to receiving the same, and in order to entitle Allowances. himself thereto, take and subscribe a Declaration before some one of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace in the United Kingdom, or before some one of Her Majesty's Ministers, Secretaries of Embassy or of Legation, or Consuls Abroad, in the Words or to the Effect following; (videlicet,)

A.B. do solemnly and sincerely declare, That I was serving Form of . I as [Paymaster, Surgeon, or Quartermaster, as the Case may Declaration. • be,] in the of Militia at the · Reduction of the Staff of the said Militia in One thousand ' eight hundred and twenty-nine; and that I was not in Holy · Orders during any Part of the Period for which I now claim

• to receive an Allowance, that is to say, from the

One thousand eight hundred and 6 Day of One thousand Day of to the • eight hundred and ; and that I did not hold or enjoy, nor did any Person for me hold or enjoy, during any · Part of the said Period, any Place, Office, or Employment of · Profit, Civil or Military, under the Crown, or any other Government, besides the Allowance of a Day now · claimed, except my Half Pay as a [of the Army or Navy or Marines, or of a Provisional Battalion formed from • the Militia, as the Case may be], and except my Pay and . Allowances from the both to the Militia was · Days inclusive, during which Period the • assembled for Training and Exercise.'

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Which Declaration, so taken and subscribed, shall be produced to the Paymaster General of Her Majesty's Forces by the Paymaster, Surgeon, or Quartermaster claiming the Allowance: Provided always, that any Paymaster, Surgeon, or Quartermaster receiving such Allowance, and being on Naval or Military Half Pay, or entitled to any Allowance as having served in any of Her Majesty's Regular Forces, or Navy, or Marines, shall, notwithstanding such Militia Allowance, be entitled to receive such Half Pay or Allowance.

XI. 'And whereas certain Non-commissioned Officers and 'Drummers of the Militia of the United Kingdom of Great 'Britain and Ireland have, on the Reduction of the Establish-'ment of the Disembodied Staff, been placed on the Out-'Pension, although not unfit for further Service;' be it further enacted, That no Non-commissioned Officer or Drummer so placed on Pension shall be entitled to receive the said Pension for any Period during which he shall be receiving Pay in the Militia.

XII. And be it further enacted, That every Paymaster, Surgeon, or Quartermaster on the reduced Allowance, and every Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, and Assistant Surgeon of the Militia, who shall be entitled or claim to be entitled to any Allowances as aforesaid, shall regularly attend the Exercise and Training of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps to which he belongs during the whole of the Time it shall be assembled for that Purpose, and shall during the said Time punctually do and perform his Duty as a Paymaster, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon of such Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, on pain of forfeiting the said Allowance, as well as all Arrears of the said Allowance and of Pay; and a Certificate of his having so attended and performed his Duty, signed by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps to which he may belong, shall be transmitted to the Paymaster General by the Officer claiming the Allowance: Provided always, that in case any such Paymaster, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon, claiming to be entitled to such Allowance, shall by his Commanding Officer be permitted or suffered, for any special Cause or unavoidable Necessity, to be absent during the Whole or any Part of such Exercise, for which Purpose it shall be lawful for such Commanding Officer to grant such Leave of Absence, then and in such Case it shall be lawful for such Paymaster, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon, who may be so permitted to be absent, and have such Leave in Writing, to demand and receive the said Allowance and every Part thereof in like Manner as if he had attended during the whole of the said Exercise : Provided always, that the Reason for such Absence, as well as the Duration thereof, shall be carefully and truly specified in a Certificate (in lieu of that before mentioned), to be signed by the Commanding Officer, and

Out-Pension to Reduced Noncommissioned Officers and Drummers not to be received while serving.

Subalterns, Mates, &c. to attend the Exercise, &c.

Commanding Officer may grant Leave of Absence. and to be furnished as soon as conveniently may be to the Paymaster General.

XIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted. That in If the Regicase any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of Militia shall not, ment be not called out be before the Time fixed for the Payment of the said Allowances, fore the Time be called out for the Exercise and Training thereof, every Pay- fixed for the master, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon'a Allowance Mate, and Assistant Surgeon belonging to any such Regiment, shall be paid, Battalion, or Corps, and coming within the aforesaid Benefits of on making the Battalion, or Corps, and coming within tor most the Declaration Declaration, this Act, who shall have made and subscribed the Declaration without Certiherein-before mentioned before any Justice of the Peace or ficate of other Person as aforesaid, shall be entitled to the said Allow- Attendance. ance as if he had regularly attended the Exercise and Training of such Regiment, Battalion, or Corps during the whole of the Time by Law appointed for that Purpose, and as if a Certificate of such Attendance, signed by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps, had been furnished.

XIV. And be it further enacted, That upon such Declarations Allowances to and Certificates as aforesaid, or where any Regiment of Militia be paid shall not have been called out to their Exercise as aforesaid. quarterly. upon the said Declarations being produced to the Paymaster General, it shall be lawful for the Paymaster General, and he is hereby authorized and required, to pay to the said Paymasters, Surgeons, Quartermasters, Subaltern Officers, Surgeons Mates, and Assistant Surgeons their respective Allowances above mentioned for the usual quarterly or other proper Periods, without any Deduction whatsoever, the Declarations and Certificates before mentioned to be by him preserved and produced as Vouchers for the Payments.

XV. And be it further enacted, That the Paymasters, Sur- On Neglect geons, Quartermasters, Subaltern Officers, Surgeons Mates, and of Attendance, Assistant Surgeons of Militia, entitled or claiming to be entitled subalterns, &c. to the aforesaid reduced or disembodied Allowances, shall at their Claim all Times be liable to serve in the respective Regiments, Bat- to the Altalions, or Corps to which they belong whenever the same shall lowance. be embodied and called out upon active Service; and in case of Neglect or Refusal to attend when called upon, on such Occasion or on such other Occasions as may be required in pursuance of the Laws in force respecting the Militia when disembodied, each and every such Paymaster, Surgeon, Quarter master, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, and Assistant Surgeon shall, on such Neglect or Refusal being certified to the Secretary at War, and in respect of the Militia of Great Britain, to the Lord Lieutenant of the County, by the Colonel or other Commandant of the Regiment, Battalion, or Corps to which such Paymaster, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon shall belong, forfeit his Claim to the said Allowance and every Part thereof, and shall also be considered as having resigned and vacated his Commission to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

XVI. And

Allowance not to be paid while the Militia is embodied.

Persons on

entitled to

Half Pay, or

Allowance as

having served in the Army

or Navy, empowered to

receive Pay, &c. during

Training.

XVI. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to entitle any Paymaster, Surgeon, Quartermaster, Subaltern Officer, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon as aforesaid, to the said Allowance, or any Part thereof, during the Time the Militia to which he belongs shall be embodied or assembled for Training and Exercise.

XVII. Provided always, and be it further enacted. That any Person being on Naval or Military Half Pay, or being entitled to any Allowance as having served in any of Her Majesty's Regular Forces or Navy or Marines, and serving in the Militia, shall and may and he is hereby empowered to receive and take the Pay and Allowances by this Act directed to be paid to the Field Officers, Captains, Lieutenants, Ensigns, Adjutants, Quartermasters, Surgeons, Surgeons Mates, and Assistant Surgeons, when assembled for annual Training; and the receiving and taking any such Pay and Allowances by any such Field Officer, Captain, Lieutenant, Ensign, Adjutant, Quartermaster, Surgeon, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon shall not prevent such Person on Half Pay, or being entitled to any such Allowance, from receiving his Half Pay or such Allowance: Provided always, that such Person shall, in the Declaration to be taken for the Receipt of the Half Pay or such Allowance, declare that he has received or is entitled to such Militia Pay and Allowances, and shall specify the Militia Rank which entitles him to the same.

XVIII. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Adjutant, Quartermaster, Non-commissioned Officer, Drummer, or Private Man in the Regular Militia entitled to receive any *Chelsea* or *Kilmainham* Pension or Allowance on account of Service in the Regular Army, shall forfeit or lose his Right to the same by reason of his serving and receiving Pay in the Regular Militia; nor shall any Quartermaster, Subaltern, Surgeon's Mate, or Assistant Surgeon forfeit or lose his Right to receive any such *Chelsea* or *Kilmainham* Pension or Allowance by reason of his receiving the Allowance by this Act granted to him when disembodied.

XIX. And be it further enacted, That there shall be granted for each Regiment of Regular Militia, when disembodied, a Sum of Money after the Rate of One Guinea for every One hundred Men of each such Regiment, for the Expence of necessary Medicines for the sick Non-commissioned Officers, Drummers, Fifers, and Private Men of such Regiment, during the Period or Periods of Assembly for Exercise or Training; and also an Allowance of Two-pence *per* Week for each of the Non-commissioned Officers of each Regiment on the Disembodied Staff at Head Quarters, for the Expence of necessary Medicines and Attendance given to the said Non-commissioned Officers while such Regiment is not called out for Training and Exercise.

P- XX. And be it further enacted, That every Adjutant of Regular Militia appointed as such before the Twenty-fourth 13 Dav

Adjutants, &c., Non-commissioned Officera, or Privates, not to lose their Right to Chelsea Pensions, &c.

Allowance to be made for Medicines.

Adjutants appointed before 24th Dec. 1814

Day of December One thousand eight hundred and fourteen, entitled to who shall have served faithfully, either in Her Majesty's Regular Service of Forces, or in the Regular or Local Militia, for the full Term Twenty Years, of Twenty Years in the whole, whereof Ten shall have been in if unfit for further Service, Service as an Adjutant of Regular Militia, and who shall be by an Allowance Age or Infirmity rendered unfit for further Service, shall, on of 8s per Day; producing to the Secretary at War a Certificate of such Service of Twenty Years as aforesaid from the Commanding Officers of the different Corps to which he shall have belonged, and upon obtaining an Order from the Secretary at War founded upon such Certificate, be entitled to receive, and the Paymaster General shall and he is hereby authorized to pay to such Person an Allowance at the Rate of Eight Shillings per Diem : Provided provided they always, that no Person shall be entitled to receive such Allow- do not noted, certain other ance as aforesaid who shall hold any Military Office or Employ- Appointments. ment of Profit under Her Majesty or any other Government; and that no Person who before the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine held any Civil Place or Employment of Profit under the Crown, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government, shall receive any Part of the said Allowance for any Time during which he held such Civil Place or Employment, except in the Cases in which the Emoluments of such Civil Place or Employment shall not exceed Three Times the Amount of the said Allowance, and unless in such excepted Cases the Royal Consent to the holding of such Civil Place or Employment shall have been signified through the Secretary at War; and that no Person appointed on or after the First Day of June One thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine to any Civil Place or Employment of Profit under Her Majesty, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government, shall receive any Part of the said Allowance for any Time during which he shall hold such Civil Place or Employment: Provided always, that any Adju- Adjutants aptant appointed after the Twenty-fourth Day of December One pointed sine thousand eight hundred and fourteen, who shall have served entitled to faithfully, either in Her Majesty's Regular Forces or in the receive, after Regular or Local Militia, for the full Term of Thirty Years in Thirty Years the whole, whereof Fifteen shall have been in Service as an Ad- an Allowane jutant of Regular Militia, and who shall be by Age or Infirmity of 6s. per Day. rendered unfit for further Service, shall, upon producing to the Secretary at War a Certificate of such Service of Thirty Years as aforesaid from the Commanding Officers of the different Corps to which he shall have belonged, and upon obtaining an Order from the Secretary at War founded upon such Certificate, be entitled to receive an Allowance at the Rate of Six Shillings a Day, in like Manner and subject to the same Restrictions and Conditions as the aforesaid Allowance of Eight Shillings: Provided also, that no such Adjutant shall lose any Right he Right to Half may have to Half Pay or Out-Pension by reason of receiving Pay reserved. such Allowance of Eight Shillings or Six Shillings a Day as aforesaid, but shall be entitled to receive such Half Pay or Out-

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receive, after a

Certain Terms extended to Adjutants in Cases of long and meritorious Services.

Allowances to Adjutants, Surgeons, and Quartermissiers.

Right to Half Pay reserved.

Beduced Adjutants to receive 4s. per Day till 90th June 1838.

Right to Half Pay reserved.

Adjutants and Serjeant Majors entitled to Allowance under 39 & 40 G. 3. c. 44.

Out-Pension as well as such Allowance: Provided always, that in Cases of very long and meritorious Services it shall be lawful for the Secretary at War to extend to any Adjutants appointed between the Twenty-fourth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fourteen and the Ninth of *July* One thousand eight hundred and twenty-three the Terms, either in whole or in part, herein-before prescribed for the Retirement of Adjutants appointed before the Twenty-fourth Day of *December* One thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

XXI. 'And whereas certain Allowances have been granted 'in pursuance of former Acts to Adjutants, Surgeons, and 'Quartermasters of Regular Militia who have by Age or Infir-'mity been rendered unfit for further Service;' be it further enacted, That such Allowances shall be issued and paid, during the Continuance of this Act, in like Manner and subject to the same Restrictions as the Allowances granted by this Act to Adjutants who shall by Age or Infirmity be rendered unfit for further Service: Provided always, that no Person receiving such Allowance shall by reason thereof forfeit his Right to any Half Pay to which he may be entitled.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That in case any Regiment, Battalion, or Corps of Militia shall have already ceased and determined or been reduced in its Establishment, or shall cease and determine or be reduced in its Establishment during the Continuance of this Act, the Sum of Four Shillings per Diem shall be paid to such Person as was or shall be actually serving as Adjutant to such Regiment, Battalion, or Corps at the Time of Reduction from the Thirtieth Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, or from the Time such Regiment shall cease and determine or be reduced in its Establishment, (as the Case may be,) to the Thirtieth Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, in like Manner and subject to the same Restrictions and Conditions as the Allowances granted by this Act to Adjutants who shall by Age or Infirmity be rendered unfit for further Service: Provided always, that no such reduced Adjutant shall lose any Right he may have to Half Pay of the Navy, Army, Marines, or Provisional Battalion formed from the Militia, by reason of receiving such Allowance as last aforesaid, but shall be entitled to receive such Half Pay as well as such Allowance.

XXIII. 'And whereas certain Adjutants and Serjeant Majors 'are entitled to and have received certain Allowances in con-'sequence of having been reduced under the Provisions of an 'Act passed in the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the 'Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, which Allow-'ances have been continued, and as to such Adjutants aug-'mented to Four Shillings per Diem;' be it therefore enacted, That all such Adjutants and Serjeant Majors shall be entitled to receive and shall receive such Allowance from the Thirtieth Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirtieth Day of June One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

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XXIV. And be it further enacted, That every reduced Adju- Reduced Adtant entitled to any Allowance granted under the said Act of jutants may the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years aforesaid, and continued lowance with by any subsequent Acts or by this Act, may receive and take any Pay or such Allowance together with any Full Pay, Half Pay, or Al- other Allow-lowance which was tenable together with such reduced Allowlowance which was tenable, together with such reduced Allow- 39 & 40 G. S. ance, under the Provisions of an Act passed in the Twenty-sixth c. 44. and Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, 26 G. 3. c. 107. intituled An Act for amending and reducing into One Act of Parliament the Laws relating to the Militia in that Part of Great Britain called England, or under the Provisions of the aforesaid Acts of the Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Years of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third : Provided always, that Proviso. no such reduced Military Adjutant shall be entitled to receive any Allowance under this Act during the Time he shall hold any Military Office of Profit under Her Majesty other than such as aforesaid, or under any other Government, or any Civil Office or Employment under Her Majesty or any other Government, otherwise than according to the Provisions of this Act in relation to the Allowances granted to Adjutants on account of Age or Infirmity.

XXV. And whereas certain Allowances have been granted Restrictions as ' to reduced Adjutants of the Local Militia;' be it further to Allowances enacted, That the said Allowances shall be issued and paid Adjutants of during the Continuance of this Act in like Manner and subject the Local to the same Restrictions as the Allowances of the Paymasters, Surgeons, and Quartermasters of the Regular Militia who were reduced in the Year One thousand eight hundred and twentynine: Provided always, that in the Cases in which any such Local Militia Adjutants had been permitted to receive the said Allowances whilst holding any Civil Offices under the Crown, to which Offices they had been appointed previously to the Twenty-eighth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, it shall be lawful to continue the Payment of the said Allowances under the same Regulations and Restrictions as those under which the Permission was originally granted.

XXVI. And be it further enacted, That in every County in Allowances to England and Wales, when the Regular Militia is or shall be Clerks of raised, Allowances shall be made to the Clerks of General Subdivision Meetings and to the Clerks of Subdivision Meetings of Lieu- Meetings in tenancy for their Trouble and Expences in the due Execution England. of an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for amending 42 G. 3. c. 90. the Law relating to the Militia in England, and for augmenting the Militia, and of any other Acts relating to the said Militia; and also to the Clerks of General Meetings and the Clerks of Subdivision Meetings of Lieutenancy for their Trouble and Expences in the due Execution of an Act passed in the Thirtyseventh Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for the better raising and ordering the 37 G. S. c. 25. Militia Forces for the Tower Hamlets in the County of Middlesex, and any other Acts relating to the said Militia; and also to the Clerks

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Clerks of General Meetings and the Clerks of Subdivision Meetings of the Lord Warden and Deputy Wardens of the Stannaries of Cornwall and Devon for their Trouble and Expences in the due Execution of an Act passed in the Fortysecond Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for repealing an Act made in the Thirtyeighth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty King George the Third, intituled ' An Act for raising a Body of Miners in the ' Counties of Cornwall and Devon for the Defence of the Kingdom ' during the present War,' and for the more effectually raising and regulating a Body of Miners for the Defence of Great Britain, and of any other Acts relating to the said Militia; and in every County, Stewartry, City, or Place in *Scotland* where the Regular Militia is or shall be raised Allowances shall also be made to the Clerks of General Meetings and Clerks of the several Subdivision Meetings, and to Schoolmasters, Constables, and other Officers, for their Trouble and Expences in the due Execution of an Act passed in the Forty-second Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act to raise and establish a Militia in Scotland, and of any other Acts relating to the said Militia.

XXVII. And be it further enacted, That the said Allowances shall be granted as follows; (videlicet,) the Account shall be certified by the Lieutenant of the County, Stewartry, City, or Place, or by Two or more Deputy Lieutenants acting for such County, Stewartry, City, or Place, or by the Lord Warden of the Stannaries of Cornwall and Devon, or by Two or more Deputy Wardens of the Stannaries of Cornwall and Devon; and the Clerks of General and Subdivision Meetings in Great Britain, and the Schoolmasters, Constables, and other Officers in Scotland, shall make a Declaration as to the Justness of the Accounts, in the following Terms respectively, before some Justice of the Peace; (videlicet,)

Declaration of a Clerk of General or Subdivision Meetings.

⁶ I do solemnly declare, That the preceding ⁶ Account, so far as regards my Interest therein, is a just ⁶ and true Account of Business performed by me for and in ⁶ behalf of the Public Service, according to the Manner therein ⁶ set forth; and the Sums claimed as disbursed were actually ⁶ paid by me.⁹

Declaration of a Schoolmaster, Constable, or other Officer in Scotland.

^c I do solemnly declare, That I am the Parochial Schoolmaster [or Constable or other Officer] of the District of in the Subdivision of the County of ; and that the preceding Account is a just and true Account of Business actually performed by myself for and in behalf of the Public Service, according to the Manner therein set forth; and that I was employed on such Business the full Time therein stated; and that

42 G. S. c. 72,

Allowances to such Officers and others in Scotland.

42 G 5. c. 91.

Manner of granting Allowances.

Clerks, &c. to make Declaration of the Justness of their Accounts. • that the Sums claimed as disbursed were actually paid by me.'

And the said Accounts shall be transmitted to the Secretary at War, who is hereby empowered to issue the Allowances according to the Rates specified in the Table to this Act annexed, or such Sums as he shall think reasonable and proper.

XXVIII. 'And whereas it is expedient that the Deputy Deputy Lieu-· Lieutenants acting in any Subdivision of any County, Stewartry, ⁴ City, or Place in Great Britain, and the Special Deputy Wardens acting in any Subdivision in the Stannaries of the Surgeon re-• Counties of Cornwall and Devon, should be assisted by the Advice of a Surgeon in deciding upon the Appeals of Persons ing for Appeals. • claiming to be exempt from Service in the Militia by reason • of bodily Infirmity, and upon the Fitness for Service of the · Persons presenting themselves for Enrolment;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Two Deputy Lieutenants, and they are hereby empowered and required, to summon, by Two Days previous Notice in Writing, any competent Surgeon residing at or nearest to the Place where any Meeting for Appeals or Enrolment shall be held, to attend at such Meeting; and every such Surgeon shall, before he begins any such Examination, make the following Declaration, which Declaration any Deputy Lieutenant is hereby authorized to admi**mister**; (videlicet,)

do solemnly declare, That I will, to the Declaration to I best of my Ability, faithfully and truly report as to the be made by • Fitness for Service of the Man or Men about to be submitted • to my Examination; and that I will not receive from any ' of them any Fee or Reward whatever for any such Examina-' tion.'

And every such Surgeon shall receive for each Day's Attendance Allowance to at such Meeting a Sum not less than Half a Guinea nor Surgeon. exceeding Two Guineas, according to the Extent of the Duty performed: Provided always, that the Accounts and Vouchers upon which the said Allowances shall be recommended by the Deputy Lieutenants of the respective Subdivisions shall be transmitted to the Secretary at War, with the Accounts of the Lieutenancy Clerks, for Examination and Payment.

XXIX. And be it further enacted, That all Sums of Money Pay, &c. to be granted for the Pay, Clothing, contingent and other Expences, issued under Directions of and for the Allowances to the Officers and Men of the Regular the Secretary and Local Militia when disembodied, shall be issued and paid, at War. under the Direction of the Secretary at War, by the Acceptance of Bills or otherwise, according to such Regulations as have been or shall be established on that Head.

XXX. And be it further enacted, That all Bills, Drafts, Bills drawn for and Orders drawn for Pay or Allowances under this Act may Pay, &c. may be or shall be drawn upon unstamped Paper; and no such stamped Paper. Bill, Draft, or Order shall be void by reason of being drawn or written on unstamped Paper.

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tenants may require the Attendance of any siding near the Place of Meet-

Surgeon.

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Expence of House for depositing Arms and Stores of the Militia in Ireland, & c. to be defrayed by the County.

Provision as to Amount of Rent.

Provisions of this Act relating to Counties shall extend to Ridings, Stewartries, &c.

Continuance of Act.

XXXI. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That no Fee or Gratuity whatsoever shall be given or paid for or upon account of any Warrant or Sum of Money which shall be issued in relation to or in pursuance of this Act.

XXXII. And be it further enacted, That the Hire of any House or Place to be provided for the keeping of the Arms, Accoutrements, Clothing, or other Stores, and for the Residence and Accommodation of the Adjutant belonging to any Regiment or Battalion of Militia in Ireland, when not embodied, shall be defrayed by the County; and the necessary Sum for that Purpose, and for all other Sums of Money and Expences payable and to be defrayed by the County in respect of the Militia of the County, and all Arrears of any such Hire due for the Hire or Rent of any House heretofore provided, and which Rent shall not have been presented and paid before the passing of this Act, or which shall hereafter become due for any such House, and all Arrears of any such other Sums or Expences aforesaid which shall have become due before the Certificate thereof shall be transmitted as hereafter mentioned, shall be raised by the Presentment of the Grand Jury of the said County, and which Presentment the Grand Jury of the County is hereby authorized and required to pass on a Certificate signed by the Chief Secretary of the Lord Lieutenant or other Chief Governor or Governors of Ireland for the Time being, or, in the Absence of such Chief Secretary, by the Under Secretary or by the First Clerk in the Military Department, and specifying the Rent agreed to be paid for the same; which Certificate shall be transmitted by such Chief or Under Secretary or First Clerk to the Clerk of the Crown for such County, or at any Time prior to the First Day of the Assizes for such County, or if in the County or County of the City of Dublin, then prior to the First Day of the Presenting Term: Provided that in no Case any greater Rent than Fifty Pounds Currency of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland shall be presented by such Grand Jury for the annual Rent of such House or Place.

XXXIII. And be it further enacted, That all Provisions, Directions, Clauses, Matters, and Things in this Act contained, relating to Counties and to Regiments of Militia respectively, shall extend and be construed to extend to all Ridings, Shires, Stewartries, Cities, and Places, and to all Battalions, Corps, and independent Companies respectively, and to the Corps of Miners of *Cornwall* and *Devon*, as fully and effectually as if they were respectively repeated in every such Provision, Direction, Clause, and with relation to every such Matter or Thing.

XXXIV. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect and continue in force from the Thirtieth Day of *June* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven until the First Day of *July* One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

TABLE

TABLE to which this Act refers.

SCALE of RATES of REMUNERATION to the Clerks of General and Subdivision Meetings of Lieutenancy in Great Britain, including the Clerks of the Tower Hamlets and the Stannaries of Cornwall and Devon, and to Schoolmasters, Constables, and other Officers in Scotland, for carrying into execution Two Acts of Parliament passed in the Fortysecond Year of the Reign of King George the Third, . Cap. 90. and 91., and other Acts relating to the Militia.

ALLOWANCES TO THE CLERKS OF GENERAL MEETINGS.

1. For Trouble in calling a General Meeting by Circular Letters or Advertisements (no separate Charge being made for writing the Letters or framing the Advertise-	£	s.	d.	
ments)	0	7	6	
the Statutory Quorum of Lieutenancy shall be present, each	5	5	0	
For each Meeting which shall be necessarily		J	U	
adjourned by the Clerk in consequence of				
the Absence of the Lord Lieutenant or			•	
Deputy Lieutenants	1	11	6	
engrossing Minutes, et cetera.				
3. For filling up printed Precepts to the High				
or Chief Constable of each Subdivision,				
Hundred, Lathe, Rape, or Wapentake in				
England and Wales, including the Tower				
Hamlets and the Stannaries of Cornwall	1			
and Devon, to return Lists, each	0	0	6	
For filling up printed Precepts to the School-				
masters, Chief Constables, or other Officers	·			
in Scotland, to return Lists, each	0	0	6	
4. For writing the annual Advertisements for				
regulating, arranging, and fixing the First	1			
Subdivision Meeting of the Deputy Lieu-	1			
tenants for receiving the Parochial Lists		_	~	
and hearing Appeals	0	7	6	
5. For arranging Subdivision Lists and making				
Abstracts thereof Schedule (D.) for the				
Privy Council, the Secretary of State, and	1			
the Secretary at War, (the latter Copy to				
be annexed to the Clerk's Accounts as				
a Voucher,) videlicet,				
In Counties furnishing a Quota of 200				
Men or under in the original Number of the Militia	2	2	0	
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	6. For striking the Proportion of Men to serve			
	for the several Hundreds, Rapes, Lathes,			
	Wapentakes, or other Divisions of a County			
	in England and Wales, and for each respec-			•
	tive Parish or other Division of a County			
	or Stewartry in Scotland, under the several			
	Acts of Parliament relating to the Regular			
	Militia, when necessary to be done:			
	In Counties furnishing a Quota of 200			
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	Ditto from 401 to 600 Men	3		
	Ditto from 601 to 800 Men	4	4	Õ
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	upwards	5	5	0
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	Names of the Men contained in each Sub-			
	division Return of Enrolment, Schedule			
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	Ditto - 51 to 150 Names -		10	0
	Ditto - 151 to 250 Names -		0	0
	Ditto - 251 Names and upwards		10	0
	8. For drawing out fair Copy of the Lord Lieu-	i i		
	tenant's Annual Return of the Militia for			
	the County containing the Number, Names,			
	and Rank of the Officers, and the Number	í		
	of the Non-commissioned Officers, Drum-			
	mers, and Private Men:			
	In Counties furnishing One Regiment,	1		
	Battalion, or Corps	0	15	0
	Ditto - Two - Ditto -	1	10	0
	Ditto - Three - Ditto -	2	0	0
	No separate Charge being made for			
	Attendance upon the Lord Lieu-			
	tenant or Deputy Lieutenants for			
	his or their Signatures thereto.			
	Note.—This Allowance is of course			
	only chargeable by the General			
	Clerks for those Counties in Scot-			
	land which furnish the greatest			
	Proportion of Men towards the			
	Formation of the Regiment, Bat-			
	talion, or Corps.	1		
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	ported by the Receipt of the Person				
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Т	BAINING AND EXERCISE.				
2. For filling	up printed Notices to the Clerks				
of Sub	livision Meetings of the Time and			•	
	ixed by the Lord Lieutenant or				
	Lieutenants for assembling the Mili-				•
	e trained and exercised, each Notice	0	0	6	•
	g out correct Abstracts from the	Ŭ	v	v	
	it's or other Commanding Officer's				
	s, Schedule (F.), in the Form Sche-				•
	.), for Her Majesty's Secretary of				
	r the Home Department, in Coun-				
	England and Scotland furnishing				
	towards the Formation of an entire				
• .	nt or Battalion	1	0	0	
	Counties in England, Wales, and		v	J	
	otland furnishing One Regiment,				
	ttalion, or Corps	2	0	0	
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ALLOWANCES TO CLERKS OF SUBDIVISION MEETINGS. 14.

14. For Trouble in calling a Subdivision Meeting by Advertisement, no separate Charge being made for writing Letters or framing Ad-	£	8.	đ.
vertisement	0	5	0
Or, for calling a Meeting by Circular Letters to the Deputy Lieutenants, the Adjutant, or other Commanding Officer, (no Charge being	Ū	•	Ū
made for the Draft,) for each Letter	0	1	0
15. For attending Subdivision Meetings, for each	Ū	•	Ŭ
of the Three first or principal Meetings at			
which the Statutory Quorum of Lieutenancy			
shall be present; videlicet,			
For receiving Lists and hearing Appeals,			
For ballotting,			
For inrolling,			
And for the Meeting held to apportion the			
Deficiencies among the Parishes, et			
cetera, when necessary to be done; and			
also for calling out the Quota or Appor-			
tionment of the Subdivision to be trained			
and exercised, which Allowance shall			
be in full for engrossing Minutes and			
making up Lists	2	2	0
And for each Meeting held by Adjournment	-	-	-
to complete the Business of any or either of			
the Three first or principal Meetings above			
enumerated, which Allowance shall be in full			
for engrossing Minutes and making up	1		
Lists	1	5	0
And for each Meeting which shall have been			v
summoned, but which is necessarily post-			
poned by the Subdivision Clerk in con-			
sequence of the Absence of the Deputy			
Lieutenant	6	15	0
16. For filling up printed Precepts to the Chief	U	19	U
or High Constables in England and Wales,			
including the Tower Hamlets and Stannaries			
of Cornwall and Devon, to give Notice of the Number of Men apportioned to serve for			
each Parish, and to issue out their Orders			
to the Petty Constables to serve Notices		•	c
upon ballotted Men, each Precept	0	U	6
And for filling up printed Precepts to the	ł		
Schoolmasters, Chief Constables, or other			
Officers in Scotland, for the Performance		~	
of similar Duty, each Precept	0	0	U
17. For Trouble in amending the Returns of	1		
Persons liable to serve in the Regular Militia,	1		
by taking out the Names of all Persons who may appeal, and whose Appeals or	1		
who may appeal, and whose Appeals or	1		

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Claims of Exemption have been allowed, and inserting the Names of any Persons that have been omitted to be inserted, and in numbering the Returns, and making out the Tickets for the Ballotting, after the Rate of Two Pounds for every One thousand	£	8.	d.	
Names of Persons returned liable to serve, and so in proportion for a greater or smaller				١
Number of Men	£2 p	erl,	00 0	
8. For making out the Annual Abstracts of Lists, Schedule (C.), for the Use of the Clerk of General Meetings, where the original Quota or Appointment of the Sub-				
division is 50 Men and under		2		
From 51 to 150 Men		3		•
From 151 to 250 Men		4		
From 251 Men and upwards - 9. For making out fair and true Copies of Lists of Men enrolled for each Subdivision of a County in Great Britain, including the Tower Hamlets and the Stannaries of Corn- wall and Devon, for the Use of the Clerk of General Meetings, Schedule (E.), and the	5	5	0	
Colonel or Commandant of the Regiment of				
the County; videlicet,				
For a Roll containing 50 Names and				
under	0	5	0	
from 51 to 150 Names	-	10	0	
from 151 to 250 Names from 251 Names and upwards -		15	0	
0. For Stationery to the Clerk of a Subdivision furnishing Men towards the Quota of a County, in the following Proportions; videlicet,	1	0	0	
For a Subdivision furnishing 50 Men and				
under	1	10	0	
from 51 to 150 Men	2	0	0	
 from 151 to 250 Men from 251 Men and upwards - 	23	10	0	
21. For Correspondence, Copyings, et cetera, to the Clerk of a Subdivision furnishing Men towards the Quota of a County in the fol- lowing Proportions; videlicet,			v	
For a Subdivision furnishing 50 Men and				
under	2	0	0	•
from 51 to 150 Men	3	0	0	
from 151 to 250 Men from 251 Men and upwards 22. The actual Amount expended for printing and publishing Advertisements, for Postage, Ex- presses, and Messengers, to be allowed upon	4 5	0 0	0 0	

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pe, he 25, - 0 5 - 0 10	to whom paid. Frouble in apportioning and distributing he Constables of the several Townships, ishes, et cetera, within the Limits of the odivision, the various Forms of Schedules, setera : For a Subdivision furnishing 50 Men and under 0 5 0 from 51 to 150 Men 0 10 0 from 151 to 250 Men 0 15 0
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	TRAINING AND EXERCISE.
of ng of sir g- ve to nd es	filling up printed Precepts to the High Chief Constable in each Subdivision of County in England and Wales, including Tower Hamlets and the Stannaries of rnwall and Devon, to issue out their rrants to the Petty Constables, Tithing- n, or other Officers within their respective indreds, to give Notice in Writing to Men enrolled to attend the Training and ercise of the Militia: For each Precept containing 50 Names and under 0 5 0
	from 51 to 150 Names 0 10 0
- 0 15	from 151 to 250 Names 0 15 (
8, , 8- 1y t- en se	from 251 Names and upwards - for filling up printed Precepts to the hief Constables, and to the Schoolmasters, onstables, or other Officers of the Pa- hes within the Subdivisions of any punty, Stewartry, City, or Place in Scot- nd, to give Notice in Writing to the Men rolled to attend the Training and Exercise the Militia : For each Precept containing 10 Names
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Na so: sp	making out full and true Lists of the ames and Dates of Enrolment of all Per- ns enrolled within each Subdivision re- ectively, for the Use of the Commandin, ficer and Adjutant of each Regiment	-	8.	d.	
Bi ar	attalion, or Corps of any County, Stew try, City, or Place in Great Britain, pre pusly to the Training and Exercise: For a Roll containing 20 Names and				
	under	- 0		6	
	from 21 to 50 Names -	- 0		0	
	from 51 to 150 Names -		10		
	from 151 to 250 Names -	. 0		_	
th ra or Sc of mo	from 251 and upwards - correcting the Books of Enrolment of e Subdivision, so as to correspond accu- tely with the Extracts from the Adjutant other Commanding Officer's Return hedule (F.), of the State of the Classe the Men forming the Quota or Appoint ent serving in the Regiment, Battalior Corps of Militia of any County, Stew try, City, or Place in Great Britain : For a Subdivision furnishing 50 Mer and under	- - - - - - -	5		
	from 51 to 150 Men -		10		
	from 151 to 250 Men -		15	_	
ALLO	from 251 and upwards - WANCES TO SCHOOLMASTERS IN SCOTLAND.	. 1	0	0	
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	ht Hours	-	J	v	
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35. For filling up and delivering Notices to bal-			
lotted and enrolled Men, per Day 36. For Stationery, where the Lists are made	U	-4	U
out by the Constables, per Annum	0	5	0

- SPECIAL CONTINGENT ALLOWANCES applicable to the Clerks of General and Subdivision Meetings of Lieutenancy respectively.
- 37. When it is necessary to call a Person from a Distance to perform the Duty of a General or Subdivision Clerk, such Person shall have an Allowance for his travelling Expences, not exceeding Nine-pence per Mile, and the Expences of Tolls and Ferry Money; but the Particulars of such Expences shall be specified in a Statement, and certified by the Lieutenancy, and transmitted in support of the Charge in the Clerk's Annual Account.
- 38. The Expence necessarily incurred for the Use of the Room at the Place of Meeting to be allowed upon the Production of the Receipt of the Person to whom the same may be paid.

CAP. LXIV.

An Act for regulating the Coroners of the County of Durham. [15th July 1837.]

• WHEREAS by an Act passed in the last Session of Par-

⁶ Jurisdiction of the County Palatine of Durham from the Bishop-⁶ rick of Durham, the Palatine Jurisdiction, Power, and Authority ⁶ heretofore vested in and belonging to the Bishop of Durham was ⁶ separated from the Bishoprick of Durham, and was transferred ⁶ to and vested in His late Majesty King William the Fourth, ⁶ His Heirs and Successors: And whereas previously to the ⁶ passing of the said Act the Coroners for the said County of ⁶ Durham were appointed by the said Bishop, and it is necessary ⁶ that Provision should be made for the future Appointment of ⁶ the Coroners of the said County, and for their due Remunera-⁶ tion: ⁷ Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the present

Coroners of the Four Wards, respectively called *Easington* Ward,

Chester Ward, Stockton Ward, and Darlington Ward, in the said County of Durham, shall continue Coroners of the same Wards respectively during their respective Lives, or so long as they shall respectively well behave themselves; and that upon and

after the Death, Removal, or Resignation of the Coroner either

of Easington Ward or of Chester Ward (which Two Wards form

liament, intituled An Act for separating the Palatine

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Present Coroners to continue.

Election of future Coroners.

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the Northern Division of the said County of Durham) a Coroner shall be chosen for each of such Wards in the Place of the Coroner making a Vacancy, and so from Time to Time on every future Vacancy of the Office of Coroner of either of the said Wards, the Coroner of each of the said Wards to be chosen by its own Freeholders in like Manner as Coroners are chosen in the Case of other Counties or Divisions of Counties in England; and that after the Death, Removal, or Resignation of the Coroner either of Stockton Ward or of Darlington Ward (which Two Wards form the Southern Division of the said County of Durham) a Coroner shall be chosen for each of such last-mentioned Wards in the Place of the Coroner making a Vacancy, and so from Time to Time on every future Vacancy of the Office of Coroner of either of the said last-mentioned Wards, the Coroner of each of such Wards to be chosen by its own Freeholders in like Manner as Coroners are chosen in the Case of other Counties or Divisions of Counties in England : Provided In case of always, that on every Vacancy of the Office of Coroner in any of the said Wards, and until the Appointment of another Coroner in his Place, it shall be lawful for any of the remaining Coroners to act as Coroner for the Ward in which such Vacancy may have occurred.

II. And be it enacted, That the Coroners of the said County Coroners liable of Durham shall be liable to be removed from their respective to be removed. Offices in the same Manner as Coroners of the other Counties in England and Wales.

III. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing Coroners to of this Act the Coroners of the said County of Durham shall be entitled to used Fees and be entitled to all the same Fees and Emoluments as the Emoluments. Coroners of the other Counties in England and Wales; and so much of an Act passed in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Second, intituled An Act 25 G. 2. c. 29. for giving a proper Reward to Coroners for the due Execution of their Office, and for the Removal of Coroners on lawful Conviction of certain Misdemeanors, as provides that no Coroner of the County Palatine of Durham shall be entitled to any Fee, Recompence, or Benefit given to or provided for Coroners by that Act, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

CAP. LXV.

- . An Act to render valid certain Acts done in the Performance of Duties in the Court of Exchequer in Scotland by the Lord Ordinary on the Bills in the Court of Session, and for the better Regulation of the said Court of Exchequer. [15th July 1837.]
- WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Second Year of the
- Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth,
- ' intituled An Act for making Provision for the Despatch of 2& 3W.4. c. 54.
- ' Business now done by the Court of Exchequer in Scotland:
- ' And whereas another Act was passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years

Vacancy.

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5&6W.4.c.46. 'Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty, intituled An " Act to amend, until the End of the next Session of Parliament, an Act of the Second Year of His present Majesty, for making " Provision for the Despatch of the Business now done by the Court of Exchequer in Scotland; which Act was continued in ' force by another Act passed in the last Session of Parliament ' until the First Day of July One thousand eight hundred and ' thirty-seven, and from thence to the End of the then next ' Session of Parliament; and it was by the said second recited · Act provided, that during the Indisposition or unavoidable • Absence of the last remaining Baron of Exchequer the Duties ' of the said Court of Exchequer should be performed by the ' Judge of the Court of Session officiating as Lord Ordinary ' upon the Bills for the Time being: And whereas the last ' remaining Baron of Exchequer was in a State of Indisposi-' tion and unable to attend the said Court of Exchequer for ' a considerable Time previous to and until his Death, which ' happened on the First Day of June last, and during such ' Indisposition the Duties of the said Court of Exchequer were 6 performed by the Lord Ordinary on the Bills for the Time ' being: And whereas certain of such Duties were performed ' by such Lord Ordinary after the Death of the said last ' remaining Baron, and previous to the Appointment by His ' late Majesty of One of the Judges of the Court of Session to ' perform the Duties of the said Court of Exchequer in Terms ' of the said first-recited Act; and Doubts are entertained as ' to the Validity of the Performance of such Duties:' Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Acts done in the Performance of the said Duties in the said Court of Exchequer by the said Lord Ordinary on the Bills, after the Death of the said last remaining Baron of Exchequer and previous to the Appointment by His late Majesty of One of the Judges of the Court of Session to perform such Duties, shall be and the same are hereby declared to be as valid and effectual as if the same had been performed by the said last remaining Baron, or during his Life and Indisposition and unavoidable Absence from the said Court.

The Lord Ordinary may in future perform the Duties of the Court of Exchequer in certain Cases.

Certain Acts

done by Lord

Ordinary de-clared valid.

Rights exercised by the Court of Exche-

II. 'And whereas it is expedient to provide a Remedy ' against the like Inconvenience in future;' be it enacted, That it shall be lawful to the Lord Ordinary on the Bills for the Time being to perform the Duties of the said Court of Exchequer after the Death of the Judge of the Court of Session appointed by His late Majesty, or of any Judge to be hereafter appointed to perform such Duties under the said Act of the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, and until the Appointment of another such Judge, in like Manner as during the Indisposition or unavoidable Absence of the Judge so appointed.

III. And be it enacted and declared, That all Rights and Immunities heretofore enjoyed by the said Court of Exchequer or

or the last remaining Baron thereof, with regard to Appoint- quer to be ments or Offices in the said Court, in so far as the same are not vested in the Treasury. otherwise provided for, shall be vested in and exercised by the Lord High Treasurer or Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury for the Time being.

IV. And be it enacted, That the said recited Act of the Fifth Recited Act and Sixth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty shall be 5 & 6 W. 4. c. 46. made and the same is hereby made perpetual.

CAP. LXVI.

An Act to extend to Ireland the Act of the Fifth and Sixth Years of His late Majesty's Reign consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the cruel and improper Treatment of Animals. [15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act 5&6W.4.c.59. 4 • to consolidate and amend the several Lanos relating to the cruel and improper Treatment of Animals, and the Mischiefs arising from • the driving of Cattle, and to make other Provisions in regard " thereto: And whereas the Provisions in the said Act con-' tained with respect to the Application of Penalties incurred for Offences thereunder render it doubtful whether Convic-' tions for such Offences can be had in Ireland; and it is expedient to amend such Provisions so that the Operation of ' the said Act may be extended to that Part of the United ' Kingdom:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That Recited Act the said recited Act shall and the same is hereby declared to Ireland. extend to Ireland.

II. Provided always, and be it further enacted, That all Distribution of pecuniary Penalties which shall be recovered before any Justice Penalties on Convictions of the Peace under the Provisions of the said Act upon Convic- under recited tions for Offences against the Provisions of the said Act com- Act in Ireland. mitted in Ireland shall respectively be divided, paid, and distributed in the following Manner; (that is to say,) one Moiety thereof to such Dispensary, Hospital, or Infirmary as the Justice before whom the Conviction shall have taken place may direct, to be by the Treasurer thereof applied in aid of the Funds maintaining such Institution, and the other Moiety thereof, with full Costs, to the Person who shall inform and prosecute for such Offence, or to such other Person as to such Justice shall seem fit and proper; and that all and every Sum or Sums Damages to be of Money which shall or may be ascertained, determined, paid to Party adjudged, and ordered by any Justice of the Peace under the Authority of the said Act to be paid as the Amount of any Damage or Injury occasioned by the Commission of any of the Offences therein mentioned shall be paid to the Person who shall or may have sustained such Damage or Injury, according

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to the Order or Determination and at the Discretion of any such Justice.

III. And be it further enacted, That in all Cases of Convictions for Offences contrary to this Act committed in *Ireland* the Name of the Dispensary, Hospital, or Infirmary to which the Justice before whom any such Conviction may take place may direct one Moiety of the Penalty to be paid as aforesaid shall be inserted in the Form by the said Act prescribed for drawing up Convictions under the same instead of the Words "Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish, to be by them applied according to the Directions of the Statute in that Case made and provided" in such Form contained.

CAP. LXVII.

An Act to amend an Act of the Fifth Year of His Majesty King *George* the Fourth, for consolidating and amending the Laws relative to the Arbitration of Disputes between Masters and Workmen.

[15th July 1837.]

• WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relative to the Arbitration of Disputes between Masters and Workmen: And whereas it is provided by the said Act that all Complaints under the same by any Workman for any Cause, except as to bad Materials, shall be made within Six Days after such Cause of Complaint shall arise; but the said Period of Six Days has been found too short for the Purpose thereby intended: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the same be extended to Fourteen Days.

II. 'And whereas it is enacted by the said Act, that various Differences under the same shall be subject as therein men-6 tioned to the Adjudication of any Justice of the Peace or Magis-6 trate of any County, Riding, Division, Stewartry, Barony, City, ' Burgh, Town, or Place within which the Parties reside : And ' whereas many Cases have arisen where no Justice of the Peace or Magistrate could be found who has Jurisdiction where 6 both of the Parties differing as aforesaid reside; in conse-6 quence whereof it has been doubted whether the above beneficial Enactment can in such Cases take effect; and for the • Remedy thereof it is necessary that the Jurisdiction and Powers ' which are by the said Act conferred on the Justices or Magis-' trates of the District where both Parties reside shall in future ' be exercised by the Justices or Magistrates of the District ' where the Party complained against resides;' be it enacted, That in the Place of the Justices or Magistrates of the District where both Parties reside the Justices or Magistrates of the District

Period for making Complaints extended.

Justices having Jurisdiction where the Party complained against resides to have Jurisdiction in the Matters of the said Act.

Name of Dis-

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District where the Parties complained against reside shall have the said Jurisdiction and Powers; and whatever Acts and Duties are by the said Act required to be done by the first-mentioned Justices or Magistrates, or any One of them, shall be done by the last-mentioned Justices or Magistrates, or by any One of them; and the said Act shall in all respects be construed as if the Words "where the Party complained against resides" had been originally inserted in the Third Section of the said Act instead of the Words "within which the Parties reside."

III. And be it further enacted, That wherever the Expression Interpretation "Justice of the Peace" occurs in the said Act it shall be construed of "Justice." to mean "Magistrate".

CAP. LXVIII.

An Act to provide for Payment of the Expences of holding Coroners Inquests. [15th July 1837.] WHEREAS the holding of Coroners Inquests on dead Bodies is attended with divers necessary Expences, for " the Payment whereof no certain Provision is made by Law, ' and such Expences have usually been discharged without any · lawful Authority for that Purpose out of the Monies levied for • the Relief of the Poor; and it is expedient to make adequate ' legal Provision for the Payment of such Expences:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Justices of the Schedule to be Peace for every County, Riding, Division, or District in England made of Fees and Wales, in General or Quarter Sessions assembled, shall, holding Inat the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace to be holden queets. next after the passing of this Act, or at some subsequent General or Quarter Sessions, and the Town Council of every Borough having a Coroner shall at the Quarterly Meeting of such Council which shall be holden next after the passing of this Act, or at some subsequent Quarterly Meeting thereof, make or cause to be made a Schedule of the several Fees, Allowances, and Disbursements which, on the holding of any Inquest on any dead Body within such County, Riding, Division, District, or Borough may be lawfully paid and made by the Coroner holding such Inquest (other than the Fees payable to Medical Witnesses under and by virtue of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to provide for 6&7W.4.c.89. the Attendance and Remuneration of Medical Witnesses at Coroners Inquests); and it shall be lawful for such Justices in General or Quarter Sessions assembled, and for such Town Council at any such Quarterly Meeting as aforesaid, from Time to Time to alter and vary such Schedule as to such Justices and Town Council respectively may seem fit; and the said Justices and Town Council respectively shall cause a Copy of every such Schedule to be deposited with the Clerk of the Peace of such County, Riding, Division, District, or Borough, and one other Copy

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Copy thereof to be delivered to every Coroner acting in and for such County, Riding, Division, District, or Borough as aforesaid; and whenever any Inquest shall be holden on any dead Body the Coroner holding the same shall immediately after the Termination of the Proceedings advance and pay all Expences reasonably incurred in and about the holding thereof, not exceeding the Sums set forth in the said Schedule, and which Sums so advanced and paid shall be repaid to the said Coroner in manner herein-after mentioned: Provided always, that until such Schedule as aforesaid shall have been made the Coroner shall advance and pay, at his Discretion, all reasonable Expences of holding every Inquest within the Limits of his Jurisdiction, and shall be repaid the Amount thereof, in the same Manner as if the Sums so paid had been included in a Schedule duly made according to the Provisions of this Act.

II. And be it enacted, That so much of the said Act passed in the last Session of Parliament as directs the Coroner to make out an Order on the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish in which any Death shall have happened for Payment of the Remuneration or Fee payable under the Provisions of that Act to any Medical Practitioner, and as directs such Churchwardens and Overseers to pay the same out of the Funds collected for the Relief of the Poor of such Parish, shall be and the same is hereby repealed, and in lieu thereof the Coroner shall, immediately after the Termination of the Proceedings at any Inquest, advance and pay such Remuneration or Fee to every Medical Witness summoned under the Provisions of the said Act, and the Amount thereof shall be repaid to the said Coroner in manner herein-after mentioned.

III. And be it enacted, That every Coroner acting in and for any County, Riding, Division, or District shall, within Four Months after holding any Inquest, cause a full and true Account. of all Sums paid by him under the Provisions of this Act, including all Sums paid to any Medical Witness as aforesaid, to be laid before the Justices of the Peace of such County, Riding, Division, or District in General or Quarter Sessions assembled, or at any Adjournment thereof; and every Coroner of any Borough shall, within Four Months after holding any Inquest, cause a full and true Account of all Sums paid by him under the Provisions of this Act, including as aforesaid, to be laid before the Town Council of such Borough; and all such Accounts shall be accompanied by such Vouchers as under the Circumstances may to such Justices or Council respectively seem reasonable; and such Justices or Council respectively may, if they shall think fit, examine the said Coroner on Oath as to such Account, and on being satisfied of the Correctness thereof such Borough Fund. Justices or Council respectively shall make an Order on the Treasurer of the said County, Riding, Division, or District, or of the said Borough (as the Case may be), for Payment to the said Coroner not only of the Sum due to him on such Account, but also of a Sum of Six Shillings and Eight-pence for every Inquest holden by him as aforesaid, over and above all other Fees

Coroners to pay Medical Witnesses.

Coroners of Counties to lay their Accounts before the Sessions, and Coroners of Boroughs to lay them before the Town Council.

The Coroner to be repaid out of the County Rates or the

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Fees and Allowances to which he is now by Law entitled; and the Treasurer of any County, Riding, Division, or District on whom any such Order shall be made shall, out of the Monies in his Hands arising from the County Rates, and the Treasurer of any Borough on whom any such Order shall be made shall, out of the Monies in his Hands on account of the Borough Fund, pay to the said Coroner the Sum mentioned in such Order, without any Abatement or Deduction whatever; and every such Treasurer shall, on passing his Accounts, be allowed all Sums which he shall pay in pursuance of any such Order as aforesaid.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act and the several Pro- Act applicable visions herein contained shall extend and be applicable to the ^{to London}. City of London and the Town and Borough of Southwark.

V. And be it enacted, That this Act may be altered or Act may be repealed by any Act in this present Session of Parliament,

CAP. LXIX.

An Act to amend an Act for the Commutation of Tithes in *England* and *Wales*. [15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, ' intituled An Act for the Commutation of Tithes in England 6&7W.4.c.71. ' and Wales; and it is expedient to amend the said Act in · certain respects:' Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That Apportionthe Tithe Commissioners for England and Wales shall have ments and Power, if they shall think fit, to confirm under their Hands may be conand Seal any Instrument of voluntary Apportionment, and also fimed, sithough any Agreement for giving Land instead of Tithes, made accord- the Commising to the Provisions of the said Act, to which shall be annexed satisfied of the a Map or Plan agreed to be adopted by a Parochial Meeting, Accuracy of although they shall not be satisfied of the Accuracy of such Map or Plan, or that the several Quantities of Land specified in such Apportionment or Agreement are therein truly stated; but no Recital of Quantity or Admeasurement of Land, nor any Map or Plan annexed to any such confirmed Apportionment or Agreement, nor any Copy thereof, shall be deemed Evidence of the Quantity of Land referred to therein or of the Accuracy of such Map or Plan, unless the said Map or Plan, as well as the Instrument of Apportionment or Agreement, shall be signed by the Commissioners and sealed with their official Seal: Provided always, that the Commissioners, in case they shall confirm such voluntary Apportionment or Agreement, but shall not think proper to seal such Map or Plan, shall certify under their Hands upon some Part of such Map or Plan that the same is the Map or Plan referred to in such voluntary Apportionment or Agreement, as the Case may be, which Certificate shall be received as Evidence of that Fact.

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For determining Parochial Boundaries.

II. And be it enacted, That Two Thirds in Value of the Owners of the Lands in any Parish or District of which the Tithes are to be commuted, and respecting the Boundaries of which any Dispute or Doubt shall arise, may, by Writing under their Hands or the Hands of their Agents, signed at a Parochial Meeting called for that Purpose according to the Provisions of the said Act in the Case of a Parochial Meeting for make a voluntary Agreement for the Commutation of the Tithes of a Parish, signify their Request to the Tithe Commissioners that the said Commissioners should inquire into and settle such Boundaries; and thereupon the said Commissioners, or any Assistant Commissioner specially appointed under their Hands and Seal for that Purpose, shall, by Examination of Witnesses upon Oath (which Oath the said Commissioners or Assistant Commissioner are and is hereby empowered to administer); and also using any other Powers contained in the said Act, and by such other legal Ways and Means as they or he shall think proper, inquire into, ascertain, and set out the Boundaries of that Parish or District: Provided always, that such Commissioners or Assistant Commissioner (before they or he proceed to set out the Boundaries of such Parish or District) shall give public Notice of their or his Intention, by Writing under their or his Hands or Hand, to be affixed on the most public Doors of the Churches of that Parish or District, and of every Parish and District thereunto adjoining, and also by Advertisement to be inserted in some Newspaper circulated in the County in which such Parish or District is situated, and also by Writing to be delivered to or left Ten Days at least before the Time of setting out such Boundaries at the last or usual Place of Abode of the respective Land Owners, or the respective Agents of such Land Owners, through or abutting upon whose Lands the Boundaries of such Parish or District are supposed to pass; and such Commissioners or Assistant Commissioner shall, within One Month after ascertaining and setting out the Boundaries, publish the same by causing a Description thereof in Writing to be delivered to or left at the Place of Abode of One of the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor of the Parish or District of which the Boundary shall be so set out, and of every Parish or District thereunto adjoining, and also of every Land Owner or his Agent through or abutting upon whose Lands the Boundary so set out shall pass.

Judgment of Commissioners respecting Boundaries may be removed by Certiorari. III. And be it enacted, That any Person interested in the Judgment or Determination of the said Commissioners or Assistant Commissioner respecting the said Boundaries, who shall be dissatisfied with such Determination, may, within Six Calendar Months next after the Publication of the said Boundaries by delivering or leaving such Description as aforesaid, move the Court of Queen's Bench to remove the said Judgment by Certiorari into the said Court, the Party making such Application giving Eight Days Notice of such Application, and of the Matter and Ground thereof, in Writing, to the said Commissioners; and the Decision of the said Commissioners or Assistant Commissioner,

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Commissioner, or, in case of Removal as aforesaid, the Decision of the said Court therein, shall be final and conclusive, as to the Boundaries of such Parish or District, for all Purposes whatsoever; and after the Expiration of the said Term of Six Calendar Months the Judgment shall not be removed or removeable by Certiorari or any other Writ or Process whatsoever into any of Her Majesty's Courts of Record at Westminster or elsewhere; and no Certiorari shall be allowed to remove any such Judgment unless the Party prosecuting the Certiorari shall before Allowance thereof enter into a Recognizance before one of the Justices of the said Court, in the Sum of Fifty Pounds, with Condition to prosecute the same without wilful Delay, and to pay to the said Commissioners their full Costs and Charges within One Calendar Month after the Judgment shall be confirmed, to be taxed according to the Custom of the Court.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall not be necessary to state The Apporin any Instrument of Apportionment the several Quantities of tionment need not contain Wheat, Barley, and Oats charged upon the Estate of any Land the several Owner, or upon any Portion of such Estate included in such Amounts of Apportionment; provided that the whole Sum agreed or awarded on each Estate. to be paid by way of Rent-charge instead of the Tithes of the whole Parish or District be therein stated, and the whole Number of Bushels of Wheat, Barley, and Oats ascertained to be the fixed Quantity of Corn of which the variable Value is to be paid in Money by way of Rent-charge, and also the several Sums of Money which were at the Time of the Confirmation of the Apportionment of equal Value with the Quantities of Wheat, Barley, and Oats apportioned on each Estate or each separate Portion thereof, according to the Provisions of the said Act, be also stated therein.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall not be necessary to state Particulars of in any Instrument of voluntary Apportionment made in conse- Land not quence of a Parochial Agreement, whether the several Lands be stated in are then cultivated as Arable, Meadow, or Pasture Land, or as Instruments of Wood Land, Common Land or howsoever otherwise, nor to state voluntary Apthe Amount charged on the several Closes of every individual portionments, if Three Fourths Land Owner, if Three Fourths of the Land Owners interested of the Land in the said Apportionment shall by some Writing under their Owners so Hands request the Commissioners to direct that such Statements be omitted.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall not be necessary for the When only Commissioners to send a Copy of any Draft of voluntary Ap- One Land portionment made in consequence of a Parochial Agreement for Draft of Apthe Inspection of any Parties, nor to hold any Meeting to hear portionment any Objection thereto, when One Land Owner shall be seised, for Objections either in Fee Simple or Fee Tail, of the whole of the Lands necessary. that are not Glebe Lands in such Parish.

VII. And be it enacted, That the Prices at which the Con- Prices at which version from Money into Corn is to be made, at the Time of Conversion the Confirmation of each Apportionment, according to the Provisions of the said Act, are Seven Shillings and One Farthing to be made, for a Bushel of Wheat, Three Shillings and Eleven-pence Half-

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For the Assessment and Recovery of Rates.

For determining the Lands chargeable with Rentcharge.

Provision for the Period intervening letween the End of former penny for a Bushel of Barley, and Two Shillings and Ninepence for a Bushel of Oats.

VIII. And be it enacted, That all Rates and Charges to which any Rent-charge payable in lieu of Tithes shall be liable may be assessed upon the Owner of the Rent-charge, and the Whole or any Part thereof may be recovered from any One or more of the Occupiers of the Lands out of which such Rent-charge shall issue, in case the same shall not be sooner paid by the Owner of the Rent-charge upon whom the same shall be assessed, in like Manner as any Poor Rate assessed on such Occupier or Occupiers in respect of such Lands may be recovered, upon giving to such Occupier Twenty-one Days Notice in Writing previous to any one of the Half-yearly Days of Payment of the Rentcharge, and the Collector's Receipt for the Payment of such Rates and Charges, or of any Part thereof, shall be received in satisfaction of so much of the Rent-charge by the Owner thereof; but no Occupier shall be liable to pay at any one Time, in respect of such Rates and Charges, any greater Sum than the Rent-charge payable in respect of the Lands occupied by him in the same Parish shall amount to for the current Half Year in which such Notice shall have been given.

IX. And be it enacted, That in all Cases where the same Person or Body Politic is not entitled to the Perception of the whole of the Tithes of any Parish, and the Liability of the Lands to the Payment of Tithes is not in dispute, but the Lands out of which each Tithe Owner is entitled to the Perception of his Portion or Parcel of Tithes are not well defined, and also in all Cases where such Lands lie dispersedly throughout the Parish, it shall be lawful, at any Time before the Confirmation of any Apportionment under the Provisions of the said Act, for the Land Owners and Tithe Owners having any Interest in such Lands or Tithes (with the Consent of the Diocesan and of the Patron of the Living whenever Tithes payable to any Spiritual Person in right of his Benefice are in question). to agree, or for the Tithe Commissioners to determine, in case the Commutation shall have been made by their Award, that the several Rent-charges which shall be made payable in lieu of Tithes to each of the Tithe Owners respectively shall be fixed and apportioned upon such particular Lands as to them shall seem convenient, so that no Lands are charged with more than their due Proportion of Rent-charge, when the Determination shall be by the compulsory Award of the Commissioners; and every Agreement or Determination to that Effect, when confirmed by the Tithe Commissioners, shall be binding upon and conclusive against all Persons and Bodies Politic, notwithstanding any Doubt as to the Identity of the Lands out of which the Tithes originally issued in lieu whereof such distinct Rent-charges are made payable.

X. And be it enacted, That with the first Payment of Rentcharge under any Agreement for the Commutation of Tithes shall also be paid any Sum which shall be agreed to be paid in consideration of the Time (if any) which may intervene between 1837.

between the Termination of any previous Agreement or Com- Compositions position for the Payment of Tithe and the Time at which, by and the Comthe said Agreement for Commutation, the Lands shall be dis- mutation. charged from the Payment of Tithe, regard being had to the whole annual Amount of Rent-charge agreed to be paid, and to the other Circumstances of each Case.

XI. And be it enacted, That the Parties to a Parochial Parties to a Pa-Agreement may agree thereby, or by any supplemental Agree- rochial Agreement made and confirmed in like Manner, that the Lands in-when it shall cluded in the said Agreement shall be discharged from the begin to operate. Payment of Tithes (except as excepted in the said Act) from the First Day of January next preceding, or from the First Day of April, or First Day of July, or First Day of October preceding or following the Confirmation of the Apportionment instead of the First Day of January next following the Confirmation : Provided always, that in every Case the first Payment of Rentcharge shall be made and recoverable by the Means provided in the said Act, on the Expiration of Six Calendar Months from the Time from which such Lands are discharged from the Payment of Tithes.

XII. And be it enacted, That no Deed or Declaration autho- Deeds not rized by the said Act for the Commutation, Release, or Merger chargeable with of Tithes shall be chargeable with any Stamp Duty.

XIII. And be it enacted, That any Assistant Commissioner Assistant Comappointed to assist in carrying the said Act into execution may missioner may take the Oath required of him by the said Act before any Two Justices Justices for the County, Riding, Division, Liberty, or Juris- or a Master in diction wherein such Assistant Commissioner shall be resident Chancery. at the Time of his Appointment, or before a Master Extra-- ordinary in Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery; and every such Oath so taken shall be as valid and effectual as if the same had been taken before One of the Judges of Her Majesty's Court of Queen's Bench or Common Pleas or One of the . Barons of the Court of Exchequer.

XIV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be taken to be This Act to be a Part of the said Act for the Commutation of Tithes in England taken as Part and Wales.

CAP. LXX.

An Act to authorize the Commissioners for the Affairs of India and the Court of Directors of the East India Company to suspend the subsisting Enactments concerning the Fourfold System of Nomination of Candidates for the East India Company's College at Haileybury, and for providing during such Suspension for the Examination of Candidates for the said College. [15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS in an Act passed in the Third and Fourth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled

. An Act for effecting an Arrangement with the East India Com- 3\$4W. 4. c. 85.

' pany, and for the better Government of His Majesty's Indian • Territories. D d 3

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' Territories, till the Thirtieth Day of April One thousand eight ' hundred and fifty-four, are contained several Enactments respecting the Admission of Students into the College of the said ' Company at Haileybury, upon a Principle then intended to ⁴ be brought into practice of there being Four Candidates and ' no more than One Student admitted into the said College for ' every expected Vacancy in the Civil Establishment of India, ' according to a yearly prospective Estimate by the said Act ' provided for: And whereas it is expedient to provide, in ' manner herein-after mentioned, for the Suspension of the same · Enactments:' May it therefore please Your Majesty that it may be enacted; and be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Board of Commissioners for the Affairs of India and the Court of Directors of the *East India* Company shall, from the passing of this Act, have and be invested jointly with full Power from Time to Time to suspend and to revive the Operation of the said Enactments for and during such Period or successive Periods of Time as the said Board of Commissioners and Court of Directors may in their Discretion think desirable.

11. And whereas in case of any Suspension of the Operation ' of the said Enactments it will be expedient to establish some ' System of Examination of Candidates for Admission to the ' said College at Haileybury ;' be it therefore further enacted, That in case the said Board of Commissioners and Court of Directors shall at any Time or Times hereafter suspend the Operation of the said Enactments it shall be lawful for the said Board of Commissioners and they are hereby required to appoint, during the Pleasure of the said Board, any competent Person or Persons to be an Examiner or Examiners of all Candidates for Admission to the said College at Haileybury, and to make, and afterwards alter, vary, or repeal, and again make, any Regulations or Provisions concerning such Examinations, but so that during any Suspension of the said Enactments there shall be and continue in operation some System of Examination according to the Intent of this Enactment.

III. And be it further enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Court of Directors of the said *East India* Company and they are hereby required to pay the Expences of any System of Examination to be at any Time established by virtue of this Act, provided such Expences do not exceed in any One Year the Sum of Five hundred Pounds.

IV. And be it further enacted, That so much of an Act passed in the Thirty-third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for continuing in the East India Company for a further Term the Possession of the British Territories in India, together with their exclusive Trade, under certain Limitations; for establishing further Regulations for the Government of the said Territories, and the better Administration of Justice within the same; for appropriating to certain Uses the

The India Board and Court of Directors may suspend the Operation of Enactments respecting Admission of Students;

and in such Case the Board to appoint Examiners.

Court of Directors to pay Expencesof System of Examination.

Part of 33 G. 3. c. 52. repealed.

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the Revenues and Profits of the said Company; and for making Provision for the good Order and Governments of the Towns of Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, as enacts that no Person shall be appointed or sent out to India as a Writer after he has attained the Age of Twenty-two Years, shall be and the same is hereby repealed.

V. Provided always, and it is hereby further enacted, That Limiting the it shall not be lawful for any Person to be admitted to the said AgesofStudents College as a Student whose Age shall exceed Twenty-one Years, nor for any Person to be appointed or sent out to India as a Writer in the said Company's Service whose Age shall exceed Twenty-three Years.

VI. And be it further declared and enacted, That all Persons All Persons who since the Tenth Day of April One thousand eight hundred appointed or and thirty-four have been appointed or sent out to India as Writers since Writers in the said Company's Service, after receiving a Cer- 10th April 1834 tificate of their due Qualification under the Hand of the Prin- and previously to 10th April cipal of the said College, and all Persons who previously to the 1859 to be Tenth Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty- deemed duly nine shall be appointed or sent out to India as Writers in the appointed. said Company's Service, after receiving such Certificate of their due Qualification, shall be deemed to have been and to be duly appointed as Writers, notwithstanding such Persons may not have resided for Four Terms at the said College.

VII. And be it further enacted, That any Rules made for Rules made in the Admission of Students into the East India College at Hailey- pursuance of bury by the Commissioners for the Affairs of India, in pursuance laid before of the Provisions of this Act, shall be laid before both Houses Parliament. of Parliament within Fourteen Days after the Commencement of the Session of Parliament then next ensuing.

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An Act to continue until the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and to the 4/142 Fe 108 End of the then Session of Parliament, Two Acts Ker 2+3 Kess of the last Session of Parliament, for suspending Appointments to certain Dignities and Offices in Cathedral and Collegiate Churches, and to Sinecure Rectories, and for preventing the immediate Effects on Ecclesiastical Jurisdictions of the Measures in progress for the Alteration of Dioceses.

[15th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for suspending for One Year 6&7W.4. c. 67. Appointments to certain Dignities and Offices in Cathedral and · Collegiate Churches, and to Sinecure Rectories : And whereas ' another Act was passed in the same Session, intituled An Act 5&7 W.4. c.77. for carrying into effect the Reports of the Commissioners appointed to consider the State of the Established Church in England and Wales, with reference to Ecclesiastical Duties and Revenues, 6 50 D d 4

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' so far as they relate to Episcopal Dioceses, Revenues, and Patron-• age, in which latter Act are contained certain Provisions which ' were to continue in force only for One Year after the passing * thereof, or, if Parliament should be then sitting, till the End of the Session of Parliament: And whereas it is expedient to ' continue for a further Time the said first-recited Act and ' the temporary Provisions of the said secondly-recited Act:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the said firstly hereinbefore recited Act and the said temporary Provisions of the said secondly herein-before recited Act shall continue and be in force until the First Day of August One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and, if Parliament shall be then sitting, until the End of the then Session of Parliament.

II. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to prevent any Bishop or Archdeacon to whom Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Authority over any Parts of England or Wales shall have been given by any Order in Council under the Provisions of the said lastrecited Act passed in the Session held in the Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, from holding Visitations of the Clergy, and at such Visitations admitting Churchwardens, receiving Presentments, and doing all other Acts, Matters, and Things by Custom appertaining to the Visitation of Bishops and Archdeacons in the Places assigned to his Jurisdiction and Authority under the Enactments of the said recited Act : Provided also, that nothing contained in this Act shall be construed to prevent any Bishop from consecrating a new Church or Chapel or a new Burial Ground within his Diocese as assigned by the Provisions of the said recited Act.

CAP. LXXII.

An Act to provide for the Appointment of Lords Justices in the Case of the next Successor to the Crown being out of the Realm at the Time of the Demise of Her Majesty. [15th July 1837.]

• W HEREAS it may happen that whensoever our Sovereign Lady the Queen (whom God long preserve) shall demise and depart this Life, the next Successor entitled to the Crown of these Realms may at such Time be out of the Realm of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, in Parts beyond the Seas: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That for the continuing of the Administration of the Government in the Name of such Successor until his or her Arrival in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, the Officers herein-after named who shall be in the Possession of their Offices at the Time

First-recited Act and certain Parts of lastrecited Act further continued.

Nothing in this Act to prevent Bishops, &c. holding Visitations or consecrating new Churches, &o.

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Lords Justices appointed in case the Successor should be out of the Realm at the Qucen's Death. Time of such Demise of Her Majesty, that is to say, the Archbishop of Canterbury at that Time being, the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain at that Time being, the Lord High Treasurer at that Time being, the Lord President of the Council at that Time being, the Lord Privy Seal at that Time being, the Lord High Admiral of the United Kingdom at that Time being, and the Lord Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench at that Time being, shall be and are by virtue of this Act constituted and appointed Lords Justices of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and are and shall be by virtue of this Act empowered, in the Name of such Successor and in his or her Stead, to use, exercise, and execute all Powers, Authorities, Matters, and Acts of Government and Administration of Government in as full and ample Manner as such next Successor could use, exercise, or execute the same if he or she were present in Person within this United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, until such Successor shall arrive or otherwise determine their Authority.

II. Nevertheless be it enacted, That such Person who is or The Successor shall be next entitled to succeed to the Crown of these Realms by Three Inshall be and is hereby empowered, at any Time during Her struments may Majesty's Life, by Three Instruments under his or her Hand and Seal, revocable or to be altered at his or her Will and Pleasure, to nominate and appoint such and so many Persons, being natural-born Subjects of this Realm of Great Britain and Ireland, as he or she shall think fit, to be added to the Officers before named to be Lords Justices as aforesaid, who shall be empowered by Authority of this Act to act with them as Lords Justices of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, as fully and in the same Manner as if they had been herein particularly named; which said Lords Justices, or the major Part of them which shall assemble, so as such major Part be not fewer than Five, shall and may use, exercise, and execute all the Powers and Authorities before mentioned as fully and effectually to all Intents and Purposes as if all of them had been assembled together and consenting.

III. And be it enacted, That the said Three Instruments, The Three Inrevocable and to be altered as aforesaid, shall be transmitted struments to be into the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland to the transmitted into resident or accredited Minister of such next Successor, whose and severally Credentials shall be enrolled in the High Court of Chancery, and to the Archbishop of Canterbury for the Time being, and the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain for the Time being, close sealed up, and, after they are so transmitted, shall be put into several Covers, which shall be severally sealed up with Three several Seals of such resident or accredited Minister, and of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and of the Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper of the Great Seal of Great Britain; and one of them after it is so sealed up shall be lodged and deposited in the Hands of such resident or accredited Minister, one other of them in the Hands of

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Revocation or Alteration thereof.

In case of the Death of any of the Persons with whom the Instruments are deposited.

Any one of the Instruments produced to the Privy Council to be effectual.

Lords Justices not to have Power to grant Rank, Title, or Dignity of Peerage, &c.

of the said Archbishop of Canterbury, and one other of them in the Hands of the said Lord Chancellor or Lord Keeper; and that if the next Successor shall be minded to revoke or alter his or her Nomination or Appointment made as aforesaid, and shall by Three Writings of the same Tenor, under his or her Hand and Seal, require the said Instruments deposited as aforesaid to be delivered up to some Person or Persons thereby authorized to receive the same, then and in such Case the said Persons with whom the said Instruments shall be deposited, and every of them, and, in case of any of their Deaths, their Executors or Administrators respectively, and every other Person in whose Custody any of the said Instruments shall happen to be, shall deliver up the said Instruments accordingly unopened, and they are hereby respectively authorized and required so to do; and if any of the said Persons with whom the said Instruments shall be so deposited shall happen to die, or be removed from their respective Offices or Employments during the Life of Her present Majesty, such Person and Persons, and, in case of any of their Deaths, their Executors or Administrators respectively, and every other Person in whose Custody any of the said Instruments shall happen to be, shall, with all convenient Speed, deliver such of them as shall be in his or their Custody unopened to the Successor or Successors of the Person so dying or removed as aforesaid; which said several Instruments so sealed up and deposited as aforesaid shall immediately after the Demise of Her Majesty be brought before the Privy Council unopened, where the same shall be forthwith opened and read, and afterwards enrolled in the High Court of Chancery.

IV. And be it enacted, That if all the said Instruments deposited as aforesaid shall not be produced before the said Privy Council as aforesaid, then any One or more of the said Instruments so produced as aforesaid shall be as effectual to give such Authority as aforesaid to the Persons therein named as if all of them had been produced as aforesaid; and if there be not any Nomination by such Instruments, then the said Seven Officers, or any Five of them, are constituted and appointed to be Lords Justices of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, and are hereby invested with the Powers and Authorities mentioned in this Act.

V. Provided always, and be it enacted, That the said Lords Justices shall not have or exercise any Power or Authority to grant any Rank, Title, or Dignity of the Peerage by Letters Patent, Writ of Summons, or any other Manner whatever, or to summon any Person to the House of Lords by any Title to which such Person is the Heir Apparent, or to determine the Abeyance of any Rank, Title, or Dignity of Peerage which now is or hereafter shall be in Abeyance in favour of aný of the Co-heirs thereof, by Writ of Summons or otherwise: Provided also, that the said Lords Justices shall not have any Power or Authority, without express Directions from such next Successor, to grant, lease, or dispose of any Lands, Tenements, or Here-10 ditaments whatsoever now belonging or hereafter to belong to Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors; nor to grant any Office or Employment whatever in Reversion; nor to grant for any longer Term than during the Pleasure of such next Successor any Office, Employment, Salary, or Pension whatever, except such Offices and Employments in Possession for the Term of the natural Life of or during the good Behaviour of the Grantee or Grantees thereof respectively, as by Law must be so granted.

VI. And be it enacted, That the said Lords Justices con- Lords Justices stituted as aforesaid shall not dissolve such Parliament as shall not to dimolve the Parliament be sitting at the Time of such Demise as aforesaid, or as shall without Direcbe thereupon convened and sit, as provided by an Act made in tion, nor to the Sixth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne, intituled An Act alter certain Statutes. for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and . 6 Ann. c. 7. of the Succession to the Crown of Great Britain in the Protestant Line, without express Directions from such next Successor; and that the said Lords Justices shall be and are hereby restrained and disabled from giving the Royal Assent in Parliament to any Bill or Bills in Parliament for repealing, changing, or in any respect varying from the Order and Course of Succession to the Crown of this Realm as the same stands now established in the Illustrious House of Hanover by the Act of the Twelfth Year of the Reign of King William the Third, intituled An Act for the 12 W. S. c. 2. further Limitation of the Crown, and better securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject; or to any Act for repealing or altering the Act made in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second, intituled An Act for the Uniformity 13 Car. 2, c. 4. of Public Prayers, and Administration of Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies, and for establishing the Form of making, ordaining, and consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons in the Church of England; or one Act of the Fifth Year of the Reign of Queen Anne, made in Scotland, intituled An Act for securing 5 Ann. (8.) the Protestant Religion and Presbyterian Church Government,

VII. And be it enacted, That the said Lords Justices, before Lords Justices they act or intermeddle in their said Offices or any of the Autho- to take certain rities hereby to them given, shall take the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy in the Form prescribed and required by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled An Act for abrogating the Oaths of Supre- 1 W. & M. macy and Allegiance, and appointing other Oaths; and shall also c. 8. take the Oath of Abjuration in such Manner and Form as is set down and prescribed in an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of King George the Third, intituled An Act for altering 6 G. s. c. 53. the Oath of Abjuration and the Assurance; and for amending so much of an Act of the Seventh Year of Her late Majesty Queen Anne, intituled 'An Act for the Improvement of the Union of ' the Two Kingdoms,' as, after the Time therein limited, requires the Delivery of certain Lists and Copies therein mentioned to Persons indicted of High Treason or Misprision of Treason; and also the following Oaths; (that is to say,)

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⁴ I A. B. do solemnly promise and swear, That I will truly and faithfully execute the Office of Lord Justice of the United ⁶ Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, according to an Act ⁶ of Parliament made in the First Year of the Reign of Her ⁶ Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled [here insert the Title of this ⁶ Act]; and that I will administer the Government of this Realm ⁶ and of all the Dominions thereunto belonging according to the ⁸ Laws, Customs, and Statutes thereof, and will in all Things ⁶ to the utmost of my Power and Ability consult and maintain ⁸ the Safety, Honour, and Dignity of His [or Her, as the Case ⁶ shall require] Majesty, and the Welfare of His [or Her, as the ⁶ Case shall require] People. ⁶ So help me GOD.⁷

• I DO faithfully promise and swear, That I will inviolably • maintain and preserve the Settlement of the true Protes-• tant Religion, with the Government, Discipline, Rights, and • Privileges of the Church of Scotland, as established by Law.

So help me GOD.[#]

And shall also make and subscribe the Declaration required to be made and subscribed by all Persons admitted into any Office, Employment, or Place of Trust under Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, by an Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for repealing so much of several Acts as imposes the Necessity of receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as a Qualification for certain Offices and Employments.

Which said Oaths and Declaration shall be taken and subscribed before the Privy Council of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland in being at the Time of such Demise of Her Majesty, who are hereby required and empowered to administer and receive the same, and to enter the same in the Council Books.

VIII. And be it declared and enacted, That if after such Demise of Her Majesty and before the Arrival of any succeeding King or Queen in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland another Parliament shall be called by the Lords Justices by Writs tested in their Names, by the Arrival of such succeeding King or Queen in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland such Parliament shall not be dissolved, but after such Arrival shall proceed without any new Summons.

IX. Provided always, and be it enacted, That if any of the aforesaid Seven Offices, other than the Office of Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, shall be in Commission at the Time of the Demise of Her Majesty, then the First Commissioner of such respective Commission shall be one of the said Lords Justices, and use, exercise, and execute all Powers, Authorities, Matters, and Acts of Government by this Act vested in the said Lords Justices, according to the Directions and Provisions of this Act, in as full and ample Manner as if such Office or Offices were in the Hands of a single Person: Provided also, that if there be no Lord

Parliament called by Lords Justices not to be dissolved by Arrival of Successor.

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Lord High Treasurer of Great Britain and Ireland, and the Office of the Treasurer of the Exchequer shall be in Commission, then the First in that Commission shall be one of the said Lords Justices.

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An Act for better enabling Her Majesty to confer certain Powers and Immunities on trading and other Companies. [17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS divers Associations are and may be formed for trading or other Purposes, some of which Associa-4 ctions it would be inexpedient to incorporate by Royal Charters, ' although it would be expedient to confer on them some of the Privileges of and incident to Corporations created by Royal * Charters, and also to invest such Associations or some of 4 them with certain other Powers and Privileges: And whereas 4 it would also be expedient to extend the Powers of Her Ma-' jesty in reference to the Creation of Corporations, and to the ' conferring of Privileges upon Corporations, and upon other 'Bodies or Companies enabled to sue and be sued: And 4 whereas by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the Reign of " His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act to 6 G. 4. c. of. " repeal so much of an Act passed in the Sixth Year of His late · Majesty King George the First as relates to the restraining of ⁴ several extravagant and unwarrantable Practices in the said Act ".mentioned; and for conferring additional Powers upon His " Majesty with respect to the granting of Charters of Incorpora-" tion to trading and other Companies, it was amongst other things 4 enacted, that in any Charter thereafter to be granted by His · Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, for Incorporation of any . Company or Body of Persons, it should and might be lawful ", in and by such Charter to declare and provide that the Mem-• bers of such Corporation should be individually liable in their - Persons and Property for the Debts, Contracts, and Engage-- ments of such Corporation, to such Extent, and subject to such " Regulations and Restrictions, as His Majesty, His Heirs or " Successors, might deem fit and proper, and as should be ". declared and limited in and by such Charter, and the Members · of such Corporation should thereby be rendered so liable .accordingly: And whereas by an Act passed in the Session of · Parliament held in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to enable His Majesty 4 & 5 W.4. c.94. • to invest trading and other Companies with the Powers necese, sary for the due Conduct of their Affairs, and for the Security " of the Rights and Interests of their Creditons, His Majesty, His " Heirs and Successors, were empowered to grant to unincor-" porated Companies and Associations certain Privileges in ' such last-mentioned Act set forth : And whereas the aforesaid ' Provisions of the said recited Acts have not been found effectual for the Purposes thereby intended, and it is therefore. • expedient

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expedient to repeal the same, and to make such Provisions ' in reference to the several Matters aforesaid as are herein-after ' contained :' Now therefore be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said Act of the Sixth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth as is herein-before set forth, and also the said recited Act of the Session of Parliament held in the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, shall be and they are hereby respectively repealed.

II. And be it enacted. That it shall and may be lawful for Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, by Letters Patent to be from Time to Time for that Purpose issued under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or in Scotland under the Seal appointed by the Articles of Union to be used instead of the Great Seal thereof, to grant to any Company or Body of Persons associated together for any trading or other Purposes whatsoever, and to the Heirs, Executors, Administrators, and Assigns of any such Persons, although not incorporated by such Letters Patent, any Privilege or Privileges which, according to the Rules of the Common Law, it would be competent to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, to grant to any such Company or Body of Persons in and by any Charter of Incorporation.

III. And be it enacted, That in any such Letters Patent so to be granted as aforesaid by Her Majesty, Her Heirs or Successors, to any such Company or Body of Persons so associated together as aforesaid, but not incorporated, it shall and may be lawful, in and by such Letters Patent, either expressly or by a general or special Reference to this Act, to provide and declare that all Suits and Proceedings, whether at Law, in Equity, or in Bankruptcy or Sequestration, or otherwise howsoever, as well in Great Britain and Ireland as in the Colonies and Dependencies thereof, by or on behalf of such Company or Body, or any Person or Persons as Trustee or Trustees for such Company or Body, against any Person or Persons, whether Bodies Politic or others, and whether Members or not of such Company or Body, shall be commenced and prosecuted in the Name of One of the Two Officers for the Time being to be appointed to sue and be sued on behalf of such Company or Body, and registered in pursuance of the Directions of such Appointment and Registration respectively herein-after contained; and that all Suits and Proceedings, whether at Law or in Equity, by or on behalf of any Person or Persons, whether Bodies Politic or others, and whether or not Members of such Company or Body, against such Company or Body, shall be commenced and prosecuted against one of such Officers, or if there shall be no such Officer for the Time being, then against any Member of such Company or Body: Provided nevertheless.

So much of 6 G. 4. c. 91. as is herein-before set forth, and the 4 & 5 W. 4. c. 94. repealed.

Privileges may be granted by Letters Patent to Persons associated for trading or other Purposes.

The Letters Patent so granted may provide that Suits shall be carried on in the Name of One of the Officers of any Company appointed for that Purpose.

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less, that nothing in this Act or in such Letters Patent contained or to be contained shall prevent the Plaintiff from joining any Member of such Company or Body with such Officer as a Defendant in Equity, for the Purpose of Discovery, or in case of Fraud.

IV. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful, in and Individual by such Letters Patent so to be granted to any such Body or Liability of Company as aforesaid, to declare and provide that the Members Company may of such Company or Body so associated as aforesaid shall be be restricted by individually liable in their Persons and Property for the Debts, Letters Patent. Contracts, Engagements, and Liabilities of such Company or Body to such Extent only per Share as shall be declared and limited in and by such Letters Patent; and the Members of such Company or Body shall accordingly be individually liable for such Debts, Contracts, Engagements, and Liabilities respectively to such Extent only per Share as in such Letters Patent shall be declared and limited; such Liability nevertheless to be enforced in such Manner and subject to such Provisions as are herein-after contained.

V. And be it enacted, That every such Company or Body Deed of Partto which any such Privileges or Powers as herein-before men- nership to be tioned shall be granted under the Authority of this Act shall be entered into or formed by a Deed of Partnership or Association, or an Agreement in Writing of that Nature; and the Undertaking shall by such Deed or Agreement be divided into a certain Number of Shares to be there specified; and in such Deed or Agreement, or in some Schedule thereto, there shall be set forth the Name or Style of the said Company or Body, the Names or Styles of the Members of the said Company or Body, the Date of the Commencement thereof, the Business or Purpose for which the said Company or Body is formed, and the principal or only Place for carrying on such Business; and in such Deed or Agreement there shall also be contained the Appointment of Two or more Officers to sue or be sued on behalf of such Company or Body in manner herein-after mentioned.

VI. And be it enacted, That such Company or Body as Return to be aforesaid shall, within Three Calendar Months after the Grant made as hereinof such Letters Patent as aforesaid, make or cause to be made after mentioned of the granting a Return to such one of the Offices for Enrolment herein-after of Letters mentioned as shall be required under the Provisions of this Act, Patent, and containing the Date of the Grant of such Letters Patent as aforesaid, the Name or Style of the said Company or Body, the Business or Purpose for which the said Company or Body is formed, the principal or only Place for carrying on such Business, the total Number of Shares in the said Company or Body (and each of which Shares is to be distinguished by a separate Number in regular Succession), the Amount to which each Share shall render the Holder thereof liable, the Names and (except as to Bodies Politic) the Places of Abode of all the Members thereof, and the distinctive Number or Numbers of the Share or respective

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respective Shares which each Member holds; and such Company or Body shall also at the same Time make a Return of the Names and Descriptions of the Officers appointed by such Company or Body to sue and be sued on behalf thereof in manner aforesaid; such Return to be made in the Form in the Schedule (A.) to this Act annexed.

VII. And be it enacted, That during the Continuance of any such Company or Body after it shall have been so registered no Change shall be made in the Name or Style thereof; and if the principal or only Place for carrying on the Business of the said Company or Body shall be changed the said Company or Body shall within Three Calendar Months after such Change make or cause to be made a Return to the said Office as aforesaid of such Change in the Form in Schedule (B.) to this Act annexed.

VIII. And be it enacted, That in case any Person shall cease to be a Member of such Company or Body (except by means of the Transfer by Deed or Writing of any Share therein), or in case of the Addition of any Person thereto (except by means of the Transfer of any Share as aforesaid), or of the Change of the Name of any Member thereof by Marriage or otherwise, the said Company or Body shall, within Three Calendar Months after Information shall be received by the said Company or Body of any Person so ceasing as aforesaid, or of such Change or Addition as aforesaid, make or cause to be made a Return to the said Office as aforesaid, containing the Names and Places of Abode of all Persons having ceased to be Members thereof (except as aforesaid), and the Names and Places of Abode of all Persons having become Members thereof (except as aforesaid), and specifying any Change in the Name of any Member thereof by Marriage or otherwise; such Return to be made in One of the Forms in the Schedule (C.) to this Act annexed, as the Case may be.

IX. And be it enacted, That on the Transfer by Deed or Writing of any Share in any such Company or Body as aforesaid, a Notice in Writing, specifying the Date of such Transfer, the distinguishing Number of the Share transferred, the Name and (except in the Case of a Body Politic) the Place of Abode of the Person by whom or on whose Behalf and of the Name and (except as aforesaid) the Place of Abode of the Person to whom such Transfer is made, shall be given to the said Company or Body, by leaving the Transfer, when executed by both Parties, or some Note or Memorandum thereof signed by them, at the principal or only Office of the said Company or Body.

X. And be it enacted, That in case of the Transfer of any Share in such Company or Body, the said Company or Body shall, within Three Calendar Months after receiving such Notice as aforesaid of such Transfer, make or cause to be made a Return to the said Office as aforesaid, containing the Date of such Transfer, the distinguishing Number of the Share transferred, 8 the

Name of Company not to be changed after Registry. If Place of Business changed, Return to be made.

When Persons cease to be Members of Company or Corporation, except by Transfer of Shares, or of Change of Name of Member, Company to make Return within Three Months,

On Transfer of Shares, Notice to be given to the Company or Corporation by Transferee.

Company or Corporation to make Return within Three Monthsafter receiving Notice of Transfer. the Name and (except in the Case of a Body Politic) the Place of Abode of the Person by whom or on whose Behalf such Transfer is made, and of the Person to whom such Transfer is made, in the Form in Schedule (D.) to this Act annexed; and such Company or Body are hereby required, on the Request in Writing of either of the Parties, forthwith to make such Return accordingly.

XI. And be it enacted, That where the Extent per Share of Any Person the Liability of the individual Members of any such Company having made or Body shall have been limited by Letters Patent as aforesaid Payment in re-spect of a Share it shall be lawful for any Person who shall or may from Time in a Company to Time have advanced or paid any Sum in consequence or by under any Judg-virtue of any Execution or Diligence issued against him in such Company respect of any Share in such Company or Body, under any to make a Re-Judgment, Decree, Interlocutor, or Order to be obtained against turn thereof any Officer of the said Company or Body, or any Member to Court of Chancery. thereof, in manner herein-after mentioned, to make a Return thereof to such Office as aforesaid in the Form in Schedule (E.). to this Act annexed; and every such Return shall be accompanied with a proper Voucher or Vouchers of the Fact of such Payment, without which the same shall not be registered as herein-after mentioned.

XIL And be it enacted, That if any Sum or Sums shall Company to at any Time be repaid by any such Company or Body as last make Return aforesaid in respect of any such Sum which may have been ment is made so advanced or paid by virtue of such Execution or Diligence, of Money so the said Company or Body shall forthwith make or cause to be advanced by made a Beturn to such Office as a foresaid maniforms the America any Person. made a Return to such Office as aforesaid, specifying the Amount of such Repayment, in the Form in Schedule (F.) to this Act annexed.

XIII. And be it enacted, That in case of the Death or On Death, Re-Resignation or Removal of any Officer appointed to sue and signation, or Removal of Removal of be sued on behalf of any Company or Body to be formed in Officer appursuance of any of the Provisions of this Act, the said Com- pointed to sue pany or Body shall forthwith appoint in his Stead another Officer and be sued on to sue and be sued on behalf of such Company or Body, and behalf of Com-pany or Body, shall, within Three Calendar Months after the Death, Resig- another to be nation, or Removal of such Officer as aforesaid, make or cause appointed, and to be made a Return to the said Office as aforesaid, containing as well the Name and Description of the Person who has ceased to be such Officer in manner aforesaid as the Name and Description of the Officer who has been appointed to sue and be sued on behalf of such Company or Body; such Return to be made in the Form in Schedule (G.) to this Act annexed.

XIV. And be it enacted, That all Returns to be made in Returns how to manner aforesaid by such Company or Body shall be signed by be signed and One of such Officers, and shall be verified by a Declaration of verified. such Officer made pursuant to the Provisions of the Statute of the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act to 5 W. 4. c. 62. repeal an Act of the present Session of Parliament, intituled ' An ' Act for the more effectual Abolition of Oaths and Affirmations [No. 28. Price 2d.] Еe taken

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taken and made in various Departments of the State, and to substitute Declarations in lieu thereof, and for the more entire Suppression of voluntary and extra-judicial Oaths and Affidavits; and to make other Provisions for the Abolition of unnecessary Oaths, except that if there shall be no such Officer, or such Officer shall refuse to act, then such Return shall be signed and verified as aforesaid by some Member of the said Company or Body.

XV. And be it enacted, That any Return to be made in manner aforesaid of the Name or Place of Abode of any original Member of such Company or Body, or of any Person to or in whom any Share in such Company or Body shall be transferred or become vested, shall not be rendered invalid for the Purposes of this Act by any Error or Omission in the same, if the said Company or Body shall, within One Calendar Month after Information of such Error or Omission shall be received by such Company or Body, cause a correct Return to be made to the said Office as aforesaid in the Form in Schedule (F.) to this Act annexed : Provided always, that this Clause shall not invalidate or prejudice any intermediate Transaction or Matter whatsoever which shall have bond fide taken place or proceeded upon the Faith of such erroneous or defective Return, nor shall the Benefit of this Clause extend to any Error or Omission which shall be fraudulent.

XVI. And be it enacted, That where the principal or only Place for carrying on the Business of any such Company or Body as aforesaid shall be situated in any Part of *England* or *Wales*, the Returns herein-before directed shall be made to the Enrolment Office of the Court of Chancery in *England*; and where such principal or only Place for carrying on such Business shall be situate in any Part of *Scotland*, such Returns shall be made to His Majesty's General Registry Office at *Edinburgh*; and where such principal or only Place for carrying on such Business shall be situated in any Part of *Ireland*, such Returns shall be made to the Enrolment Office of the Court of Chancery in *Ireland*.

XVII. And be it enacted, That all such Returns as are herein-before directed to be made to the Enrolment Office of the Court of Chancery in *England* shall be registered by the Clerks of Enrolments in Chancery, or their Deputy, and that all such Returns as are herein-before directed to be made to the General Registry Office at *Edinburgh* shall be registered by the Lord Clerk Register or his Deputy, and all such Returns as are herein-before directed to be made to the Enrolment Office of the Court of Chancery in *Ireland* shall be registered by the Clerks of Enrolments in Chancery in Ireland, or their Deputy, in Books to be by them respectively kept for that Purpose, and that an alphabetical Index shall be kept of the Names of such Companies or Bodies, with References to such Returns, and that there shall be paid for the registering of each Return a Fee of Sixpence per Folio, and no more; and that any Person shall

Return of Names of Members, &c. not to be rendered invalid by unintentional Error.

Returns, to what Office to be made respectively in England, Scotland, or Ireland.

By whom Returns are to be registered.

shall be at liberty to inspect such Books and Index, and that there shall be paid for such Inspection a Fee of One Shilling, and no more; and that any Person shall be at liberty to require a Copy of any such Return, to be certified by the said Clerks or their Deputy, and that there shall be paid for such Certificate a Fee of One Shilling and Sixpence for each Folio of such Copy, and no more; and the Day of the Registration of every Return to be made in pursuance of this Act shall be written on such Return by the said Clerks or their Deputy.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That a Copy, so certified as afore- Certified Copy said, of such Return, including the Date to be marked on such of such Return, Return, shall be received in Evidence in all Proceedings, whether ceived in Civil or Criminal, and shall also be received as Evidence of Evidence. the Day of the registering thereof.

XIX. And be it enacted, That such Orders and Directions Regulations as to the Forms of the Returns to be made in pursuance of this as to Forms of Returns and Act, and the Mode of keeping the Register, and of making the Mode of keep Index thereof, and of any other Matters incidental thereto, as ing the Regismay be deemed expedient, may from Time to Time be made, ter, &c. by w altered, or varied as follows; that is to say, as regards the Registration to be made in the Enrolment Office in the Court of Chancery in England, by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Keeper, or First Lord Commissioner of the Great Seal, and the Master of the Rolls, jointly; as regards the Registration to be made in the General Registry Office in Edinburgh, by the Lord Clerk Register and Lords of Council and Session jointly; and as regards the Registration to be made in the Court of Chancery in Ireland, by the Lord Chancellor of Ireland and Master of the **Rolls** in *Ireland* jointly.

XX. And be it enacted, That no Person becoming a Member No Person enof any such Company or Body by the Transfer of any Share in Profits till therein, or otherwise, shall be entitled to sue for or recover any registered as a Share of the Profits thereof, unless and until a Return of the Member. Transfer or other Fact whereby he shall so become a Member shall be registered pursuant to the Provisions herein-before contained.

XXI. And be it enacted, That any Person ceasing to be a Person ceasing Member of any such Company or Body, whether by the Transfer to be a Member of any Share therein, or by Death or otherwise, shall be con- to continue liable till Transsidered for all Purposes of Liability as continuing a Member fer, &c. regisof such Company or Body until a Return of the Transfer or tered. other Fact whereby he shall have so ceased to be a Member shall be registered pursuant to the Provisions herein-before contained.

XXII. And be it enacted, That no Action, Suit, or Pro- Proceedings ceeding, whether Civil or Criminal, commenced either by or commenced in against any such Company or Body (whether in the Name of Officer not to be one of the Officers appointed to sue and be sued as aforesaid, or abated by his of some Member of such Company or Body, in the Case and in Death, &c. or manner aforesaid), shall be abated or prejudiced by the Death Members of or by any Act of such Officer or Person, or by the Resignation Company.

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or Removal of such Officer, either before or after the Commencement of such Action, Suit, or Proceeding, or by any Change in the Members of such Company or Body by the Transfer of Shares or otherwise, but that the same shall be continued in the Name of such Officer or Member (as the Case may be) notwithstanding such Death or Act, or such Resignation or Removal, and notwithstanding such Change in the Members of such Company or Body.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That in all such Actions, Suits, and other Proceedings, whether Civil or Criminal, the Evidence of any such Officer as aforesaid, or of any Member of such Company or Body, shall be admissible in the like Manner as if such Officer or Member were not an Officer or Member of such Company or Body.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That all Judgments, Decrees, Interlocutors, and Orders obtained in any such Actions, Suits, or other Proceedings as aforesaid against such Officer or Member in manner aforesaid, whether such Member or Officer respectively be Party to such Actions, Suits, or Proceedings, as Plaintiff, Pursuer, Petitioner, or Defendant or Defender, shall have the same Effect against the Property and Effects of such Company or Body, and also (to the Extent herein-after mentioned). against the Persons, Property, and Effects of the individual existing or former Members thereof respectively, as if such Judgments, Decrees, Interlocutors, or Orders had been obtained against such Company or Body in Suits or Proceedings to which all the Persons liable as existing or former Members of such Company or Body had been Parties, and that Execution or Diligence, or Executions or Diligences, shall be issued thereon accordingly: Provided nevertheless, that where the Extent per Share of the Liability of the individual Members shall have been limited by any Letters Patent as aforesaid, no such Execution or Diligence shall be issued against any such individual existing and former Member of such Company or Body as aforesaid for a greater Sum than the Residue, if any, of the Amount for which, by virtue of such Letters Patent as aforesaid, such individual Member shall be liable in respect of the Share or Shares then or theretofore held by him in the said Company or Body, after deducting therefrom the Amount, if any, which shall appear by such Register as aforesaid to have been advanced and paid in respect of such Shares or any of them by himself or herself, or any previous or subsequent Holder of the same Shares or any of them, or the Representatives of any such Holder, under or by virtue of any former Execution or Diligence, and not repaid at the Time of issuing such subsequent Execution or Diligence.

XXV. And be it enacted, That the Bankruptcy, Insolvency, or stopping Payment of any Officer or Member of such Company or Body in his individual Capacity shall not be construed to be the Bankruptcy, Insolvency, or stopping Payment of such Company or Body; and that the Property and Effects of such

Evidence of Officer or of Member of Company admissible.

Effect of Judgments against Company.

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such Company or Body, and the Persons, Property, and Effects of the individual Members or other individual Members thereof (as the Case may be), shall, notwithstanding such Bankruptcy, Insolvency, or stopping Payment, be liable to Execution or Diligence in the same Manner as if such Bankruptcy, Insolvency, or stopping Payment had not taken place.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may Service of be necessary for any Person to serve any Summons, Demand, or Notice, or any Writ or other Proceeding at Law or in Equity, or otherwise, upon the said Company or Body, Service thereof respectively on the Clerk of the said Company or Body, or by leaving the same at the head Office for the Time being of the said Company or Body, or in case such Clerk of the said Office shall not be found or known, then Service thereof on any Agent or Officer employed by the said Company or Body, or by leaving the same at the usual Place of Abode of such Agent or Officer, shall be deemed good and sufficient Service of the same respectively on the said Company or Body.

XXVII. And be it enacted, That in all Cases wherein it may Service of be necessary for the said Company or Body to give any Summons, Demand, or Notice of any Kind whatsoever to any Person or Corporation, under the Provisions or Directions contained in this Act, such Summons, Demand, or Notice may be given in Writing, signed by the Clerk, Attorney, or Solicitor for the Time being of the said Company or Body, without being required to be under the Common Seal of the said Company or Body.

XXVIII. And be it enacted, That in case of the Determina- Determination tion of such Company or Body such Company or Body shall of Company not nevertheless be considered as subsisting, and to be in all respects to prevent the winding up of subject to the Provisions of this Act, so long and so far as any their Affairs. Matters relating to such Company or Body shall remain unsettled, to the End and Intent that such Company or Body may do all Things necessary to the winding-up of the Concerns thereof, and that it may be sued and sue under the Provisions of this Act in respect of all Matters relating to such Company or Body.

XXIX. And be it also enacted, That it shall be lawful for Duration of Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, in any Charter of In- Charters of Incorporation to be hereafter granted, to limit the Duration thereof corporation may for any Term or Number of Vorte or for any the limited. for any Term or Number of Years, or for any other Period whatsoever; and also in any Charter of Incorporation (whether in Perpetuity or for any Term or Period), either by Reference to this Act or otherwise, to make the Corporation thereby formed, and the Officers and Members thereof, subject to all of the Provisions, Liabilities, and Directions herein-before authorized to be imposed on or required from any unincorporated Company or Body, or its Officers or Members, and also to confer on such Corporation or its Members and Officers all the Powers or Privileges herein-before authorized to be conferred on any unincorporated Company or Body, or its Officers or Members; Ee 3

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Members; and all the Powers, Provisions, Clauses, Matters, and Things herein-before contained in reference to unincorporated Companies or Bodies shall accordingly in such Case, and so far as the same may be applicable, be considered to belong and apply to such Corporation.

XXX. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall authorize or be construed to authorize Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, by any such Letters Patent, to exempt any Company or Body of Persons associated as aforesaid from the Necessity of entering into a Deed of Partnership, from making the Return of the Patent to the Enrolment Office of the Court of Chancery, from the Necessity of carrying into execution the Provisions of this Act in respect to Change of Name or Style of the Company or Body associated, in respect to the Cessation, or to the Addition or to the Change of Name of any of the Individuals of the Company, or to the Transfer of Shares and to the Notices to be given thereof, or to the Payment of any Sum by any Shareholder on account of any Preferment against such Company or Body, or to the Returns to be made to the Enrolment Office of such Payment, or of the Repayment thereof, or from making a Return to the said Office of the Name of the Officer appointed by said Company to sue and be sued on its Behalf, in case of the Death, Resignation, or Removal of the one registered or to exempt any Company or Body so associated from the Provisions of this Act in relation to the Period at which its several Members shall become entitled or shall cease to share in the Profits thereof, the whole as required by the Provisions of this Act.

Act not to affect existing Privileges.

Notice of Application for Letters Patent to be inserted in the London Gazette, &c. XXXI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall authorize or be construed to authorize the Grant to any Company or Body of Persons of any Privilege in derogation of any exclusive Privileges now enjoyed by any Company or Corporation under any Act or Acts of Parliament.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That whenever an Application shall be made to Her Majesty to grant Letters Patent or a Charter of Incorporation to any Company or Body of Persons associated together for any Purpose of Trade, and such Application shall have been referred by Her Majesty to the Committee of Privy Council for Trade and Plantations, then, before any Report shall be made to Her Majesty, and before any such Letters Patent or Charter shall be granted, Notice of such Application shall be inserted by the Parties applying Three several Times in the London Gazette and in One or more of the Newspapers circulating within the County in which it is proposed that the principal Place of Business of such Company shall be established, at Intervals of not less than One Week.

Limitations as to Exemptions

to be granted to

Companies by Letters Patent.

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SCHEDULES to which this Act refers.

SCHEDULE (A.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

Date of Letters Patent.	Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Place [or principal Place, if more than One,] of Business.	Total Number of Shares.	Liability in respect of each Share.

[Names and Places of Abode of all the Members, and the distinctive Numbers of the Shares which each of them holds.]

[Names and Descriptions of the Officers appointed to sue and be sued on behalf of the Company or Body.]

I (one of the above-named Officers) do solemnly and sincerely declare, That the above is a true Return; and I make this solemn Declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the Provisions of an Act made and passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, initialed "An Act," §c.

Day of

Dated this [Declared, §c.]

[Signature.]

SCHEDULE (B.)

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RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

CHANGE OF PLACE OF BUSINESS.

Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Former Place [or principal Place, if more than One,] of Business.	Present Place [or principal Place] of Business.
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I [§c. as before.] [Date.]

[Declared, §c.]

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SCHEDULE (C.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

CHANGE OF MEMBERS.

Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Place [or principal Place, if more than One,] of Business.

[Names and Places of Abode of all Persons having ceased to be Members (except by Transfer of Shares) since the last Return. Dated the Day of \cdot]

[Names and Places of Abode of all Persons who have become Members (except by Transfer of Shares) since the last Return. Dated the Day of .]

[Former Names and Places of Abode of Persons whose Names have been changed.]

[Present Names and Places of Abode of Persons whose Names have been changed.]

I [§c. as before.] [Date.] [Declared, §c.]

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SCHEDULE (D.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

TRANSFER OF SHARES.

,	Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Place [or principal Place, if more than One,] of Business.
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Schedule (D.)-continued.

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Name and Place of Abode of Person by whom Transfer is made.	Name and Place of Abode of Person to whom Transfer is made.	The distinctive Numbers of the Shares transferred.	Date of Transfer.
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I [sc. as before.] [Date.]

[Declared, &c.]

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SCHEDULE (E.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

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PAYMENT BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER.

Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.		ace, if more than One,] ssiness.
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Name and Place of Abode of individual Member.	Distinctive Numbers of the Shares in respect of which Payment is mad	Sum paid in respect of each b. Share.	Total Amount paid under Exemptions or Diligence.

I [§c. as before.]

[Date.]

[Declared, fc.]

[Signature.]

SCHEDULE (F.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

PAYMENT TO INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS.

Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Place [or principal Place of Bu	
Name and Place of Abodê	Distinctive Numbers of th	e Sum repaid	Total Amount
of individual Member.	Shares in respect of which Repayment is made	in respect of each	repaid to individual Member.

I [§c. as before.] [Date.] [Declared, §c.]

[Signature.]

SCHEDULE (G.)

RETURN made pursuant to Statute Vict.

CHANGE OF OFFICER.

Name of Company or Body.	Business or Purpose.	Place [or principal Place, if more than One,] of Business.

[Name and Description of the Person who has ceased to be an Officer to sue and be sued on behalf of the Company or Body since the last Return. Dated .] [Name and Description of the Officer appointed to sue and be sued on behalf of the Company or Body since the last Return. Dated .]

I [§c. as before.] [Date.] [Declared, §c.]

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[Signature.]

SCHEDULE (H.)

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CORRECTED RETURN.

[Copy of former incorrect Return.]

(Copy.)

Amended Return with correct Names and Descriptions [in such of the preceding Forms as are applicable to the Case under the **Provisions** of the foregoing Act.]

I [sc. as before.]

[Date.]

[Declared, &c.]

[Signature.]

CAP. LXXIV.

An Act to restrain the Alienation of Corporate Pro- dec 102 Ve. 103 perty in certain Towns in Ireland.

[17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to restrain the Alienation of 6 & 7 W.4. Corporate Property in certain Towns in Ireland, whereby tempo- ~ 100. ' rary Provision was made to the end that the Estates and ⁶ Effects of the Bodies Corporate constituted in sundry Towns ' in Ireland might be preserved and maintained for the Use ' and Benefit of the Inhabitants of the said Towns, (and upon ' and for the several Trusts and Purposes to which the same ought to be applied: And whereas it is fitting that further ' Provision be made to the like end:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That no Conveyance, Alienation, Settlement, Restraining the Charge, or Incumbrance whatsoever of, out of, or upon any Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments to which any Body Corporate or late or reputed Body Corporate named in the Sche- 1st Sept. 1838, dule to the said recited Act annexed, or any One or more of unless bond fide the Members of any of the said Bodies Corporate in his or their agreed upon Corporate Capacity, or any Person or Persons in Trust for 16th Feb. 1836. them or any of them, now have or may hereafter acquire, or on or before the Sixteenth Day of February in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six had or have since then acquired, any Right or Title, unless in pursuance of some Covenant or Contract or Agreement bond fide made or entered into on or before the said Sixteenth Day of February by or on behalf of such Body Corporate, or of some Resolution duly entered in the Corporate Books of such Body Corporate on or before the said Sixteenth Day of February, shall (except as herein-after provided) be made or executed by or on behalf of such

Conveyance of Corporate Property until the previous to the such Body Corporate before the First Day of September in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and that no Contract, Covenant, or Agreement to convey or to charge such Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments, entered into after the passing of this Act, and before the said First Day of September, shall, except as herein-after provided, be valid; and no Assignment, Grant, or Disposition of, or Covenant or Agreement to affect, any Personal Estate or Estates of any such Body Corporate, which may be hereafter made before the said First Day of September, shall, except as herein-after provided, be valid and effectual: Provided always, that nothing herein contained shall extend to such Dispositions as may be made before the said First Day of September of any Part of the Real or Personal Estate of any such Body Corporate, for paying any just and lawful Debt contracted by them before the said Sixteenth Day of February One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, or for paying any Debt which any such Body Corporate shall have been or may be directed to pay by any Order, Judgment, or Decree of any Court of Law or Equity, or for defraying the legal Salaries of necessary Officers, and other legal and necessary Disbursements of such Body Corporate.

II. And be it enacted, That no Person who shall have been appointed to any Office or Place of Profit in or by any of the said Bodies Corporate since the said Sixteenth Day of February in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six shall be entitled, by reason of such Appointment, to have any Compensation for the Loss of such Office or Place of Profit, or of the Fees and Emoluments thereof, in case Provision shall be hereafter made by Parliament for removing him or authorizing his Removal from such Office or Place of Profit, or for amending or abolishing the same.

CAP. LXXV.

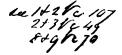
An Act to prolong for Ten Years Her Majesty's Commission for building new Churches.

[17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifty-eighth Year 6 of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, s intituled An Act for building and promoting the building of ⁴ additional Churches in populous Parishes, whereby it was enacted, ' that it should be lawful for His Majesty, by Letters Patent, ⁶ to appoint such Persons as His Majesty should deem fit to be · His Commissioners for carrying into execution the Purposes ' of the said Act, and that the said Commission should continue ' in force for the Term of Ten Years from the Date thereof, ' unless His Majesty should think fit sooner to alter or revoke 59 G. 3. c. 194. ⁴ the same : And whereas another Act was passed in the Fifty-* ninth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the • Third, for the Purpose of amending and rendering more effectual the said Act: And whereas another Act was passed 4 in

Provise.

Persons appointed to Offices of Profit since 16th Feb. 1836 not entitled to Compensation on Removal by Parliament.



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' in the Third Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George 3 G. 4. c. 72. • the Fourth, for the Purpose of amending and rendering more effectual the said Two Acts so passed as aforesaid : And • whereas another Act was passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign 5 G. 4. c. 103. ' of His Majesty King George the Fourth, for amending and ' rendering more effectual the said Three Acts so passed as • aforesaid: And whereas another Act was passed in the Eighth ' Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth, ' intituled An Act to amend the Acts for building and promoting 7&8 G.4. c.72. • the building of additional Churches in populous Parishes, whereby ' it was enacted, that the Persons then or thereafter to be ap-· pointed to be His Majesty's Commissioners for building new ' Churches, and for the carrying into effect the aforesaid Acts ' and the Act now in recital, should continue to be such Com-⁴ missioners, and that the said Commission should continue in ' force for the Term of Ten Years from the Twentieth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, instead of ' the said Term of Ten Years so fixed as aforesaid, unless His ⁴ Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, should think fit sooner to · revoke the said Commission : And whereas another Act was passed in the Second Year of the Reign of His late Majesty 1&2 W.4.c.38. King William the Fourth, to amend and render more effectual • the last-recited Act: And whereas another Act was passed in • the Third Year of the Reign of His late Majesty, to render 243W.4.c.61. • more effectual the aforesaid Act passed in the Fifty-ninth • Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third: And whereas the Commissioners appointed for the Purpose of · carrying into effect the aforesaid Acts have proceeded in the • Execution of the Powers so vested in them : And whereas it ' is expedient that the Commission granted by His Majesty ' King George the Fourth in pursuance of the said Acts, and ' which by the aforesaid Act passed in the Eighth Year of the · Reign of His Majesty King George the Fourth is limited to ' the Term of Ten Years from the Twentieth Day of July One ' thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, should continue in ' force for a further Time:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Persons now appointed to be His Ma- Commissioners jesty's Commissioners for building new Churches, or hereafter to continue;. to be appointed to be Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new Churches, and for the carrying into effect the aforesaid Acts and this Act, shall continue to be such Commissioners.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the passing of and to be styled this Act the Name and Style of the said Commissioners shall Her Majesty's be Her Majesty's Commissioners for building new Churches, in &c. lieu of the Name and Style of His Majesty's Commissioners for building new Churches; and the said Commission shall continue Term of Comin force for the Term of Ten Years from the Twentieth Day of mission further July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and thence continued. unto

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unto the End of the next Session of Parliament, instead of the Term of Ten Years last fixed as aforesaid, unless Her Majesty shall think fit sooner to revoke the said Commission.

CAP. LXXVI.

An Act to impose Rates of Packet Postage on East India Letters, and to amend certain Acts relating to the Post Office. [17th July 1837.]

XTHEREAS it is expedient to extend the Power vested in Her Majesty's Postmaster General of reducing certain Rates 'of Postage by an Act passed in the present
Session of Parliament:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That the Postmaster General may at any Time, with the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, reduce all or any of the Rates of Postage on Colonial and Inland Letters and any other British Postage to such Extent as the Lords of the Treasury shall from Time to Time direct.

II. 'And whereas Arrangements may be made between Her Packet Postage. . Majesty's Postmaster General and the East India Company for establishing a Post Communication by Packet Boats between • Suez or Bassora or some other convenient Port of the Red Sea ' or the Persian Gulf and the East Indies;' be it therefore enacted, That from and after such Communication shall have been established there shall be charged and paid for Letters transmitted by such Packet Boats between any such Port and any Port in the East Indies (Letters transmitted by Her Majesty's Mediterranean Packet Boats to or from the United Kingdom only excepted) the following Rates of Postage; (that is to say,) for every Single Letter, One Shilling; for every Double Letter, Two Shillings; for every Treble Letter, Three Shillings; and for every Letter of One Ounce Weight, whether it be Single or Double or a Treble Letter, Four Shillings, and for every Quarter of an Ounce beyond that Weight the additional Postage of a Single Letter; which Rates the Postmaster General may, with the Consent of the Lords of the Treasury, require to be paid on the Letters being tendered or delivered in order to be forwarded between any such Ports.

III. 'And whereas a Fund was some Years since established ' for the Superannuation of old and infirm Letter Carriers, to be ' supported by Contributions from Letter Carriers in proportion • to the Income or Value of their respective Walks of Districts according to a certain Scale and Regulation made and approved 6 by the then Postmaster General: And whereas by reason of the increased Accommodations afforded to the Public at various Times since the Establishment of the said Fund the Income and Value of such Walks or Districts, and the Emoluments 4 of 13

Power to reduce Postage on Colonial and Inland Letters.

East India

Deficiency of Superannuation Fund to be paid out of the Post Office Revenue.

· of the Letter Carriers in respect of the same, have been considerably reduced, insomuch that the Contributions to the ' said Fund are inadequate to support the same and to pay the ⁶ Superannuation Allowances now chargeable thereon: And ' whereas it is just and expedient that the Commissioners of ' Her Majesty's Treasury should be empowered to direct any · Deficiency in the said Fund to be paid out of the Public ' Revenue;' be it therefore enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Lords of the Treasury, in their Discretion, to authorize and empower the Postmaster General from Time to Time to pay out of the Revenue of the Post Office all such Sum and Sums of Money as may be necessary for the Purpose of making good any Deficiency in the said Fund, and of fully paying and satisfying the several Superannuation Allowances heretofore granted and made payable out of the same, and now charged and chargeable thereupon, until such Time as the Objects and Purposes for which the said Fund was established shall have been fully accomplished.

IV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall come into operation Commenceon the Second Day of August One thousand eight hundred and ment of Act. thirty-seven.

CAP. LXXVII.

An Act to assimilate the Practice of the Central Criminal Court to other Courts of Criminal Judicature within the Kingdom of England and Wales with respect to Offenders liable to the Punishment of Death. [17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to assimilate the Practice of the Central Criminal Court to other Courts of Criminal 4 Judicature within the Kingdom of England and Wales with ' respect to Offenders liable to the Punishment of Death:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the No Report to passing of this Act it shall not be necessary that any Report should be made to Her Majesty, Her Heirs and Successors, in Case of any the Case of any Prisoner convicted before the said Central Capital Convict Criminal Court, and now under Sentence of Death, or who at the Central Criminal Court. may be hereafter convicted before such Court and sentenced to the like Punishment, previously to such Sentence being carried into execution; any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

IL And be it enacted, with respect to Offenders now under before whom Sentence of Death, That in case any Judge, being a Judge of any Offender one of the Superior Courts of Westminster Hall, before whom already under any such Offender has been tried shall be of opinion that under Death has been the Circumstances of such Offender's Case the Sentence of the tried, may direct Law ought to be carried into effect, it shall be lawful for such Execution to be done on such

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Judge and he is hereby required, as soon after the passing of this Act as conveniently may be, to order and direct Execution to be done on such Offender at such Time and Place as he shall think fit (the Time so to be appointed not being less than Seven Days nor more than Twenty-one Days from the making of such Order); and thereupon the Sheriff, or other proper Officer in whose Custody any such Offender shall be, shall carry such Sentence into effect at such Time and Place as may be specified in such Order.

III. And be it enacted, That whenever any Offender shall hereafter be convicted before the said Court of any Crime for which such Offender shall be liable to the Punishment of Death, and the Court shall be of opinion that under the particular Circumstances of the Case such Offender is a fit and proper Subject to be recommended for the Royal Mercy, it shall and may be lawful for such Court, if it shall think fit so to do, to direct the proper Officer then being present in Court to require and ask (whereupon such Officer shall require and ask) if such Offender hath or knoweth any thing to say why Judgment of Death should not be recorded against such Offender; and in case such Offender shall not allege any Matter or Thing sufficient in Law to arrest or bar such Judgment, the Court shall and may and is hereby authorized to abstain from pronouncing Judgment of Death upon such Offender, and instead of pronouncing such Judgment to order the same to be entered of Record, and thereupon such proper Officer as aforesaid shall and may and is hereby authorized to enter Judgment of Death on Record against such Offender in the usual and accustomed Form, and in such and the same Manner as is now used, and as if Judgment of Death had actually been pronounced in open Court against such Offender by the Court.

IV. And be it enacted, That a Record of every such Judgment so entered as aforesaid shall have the like Effect to all Intents and Purposes and be followed by all the same Consequences as if such Judgment had actually been pronounced in open Court.

V. And be it enacted, That whenever any Offender shall hereafter be convicted before the said Court of any Offence for which such Offender shall be liable to and shall receive Sentence of Death, and the said Court shall be of opinion that under the Circumstances of the Case the Judgment of the Law ought to be earried into effect, it shall be lawful for the said Court and such Court is hereby required to order and direct Execution to be done on such Offender in the same Manner as any Court of Assize is empowered to order and direct Execution by the Law as it stood before the passing of this Act.

VI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall affect Her Majesty's Royal Prerogative of Mercy.

VII. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend or be construed to extend to prejudice or affect the Rights, Interests, Privileges, Franchises,

The Court may abstain from pronouncing Judgment on Persons convicted of Crimes liable to the Purfishment of Death, and order the same to be entered of Record.

Such Record to have same Effect as if pronounced.

Court to direct Execution to be done on certain Offenders.

Not to affect the Royal Prerogative.

Saving the Rights of the City of London. or Authority of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Recorder of

the City of London, or their Successors, or to prohibit, defeat, alter, or diminish any Power, Authority, or Jurisdiction which at the Time of making this Act the said Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Recorder for the Time being of the said City did or might lawfully use or exercise, except so far as is otherwise by this Act expressly provided.

VIII. And be it enacted, That this Act may be amended or Act may be altered by any Act to be passed in this present Session of Par- altered. liament.

IX. And be it enacted, That this Act shall be deemed to be Public Act. a Public Act, and shall be judicially taken notice of as such by all Judges, Justices, and others.

CAP. LXXVIII.

An Act to amend an Act for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in *England* and *Wales*.

[17th July 1837.]

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WHEREAS an Act was passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to provide for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations 5&6W.4.c. 76. 6 in England and Wales, providing among other things for the Election of certain Officers in manner and form therein declared, but such Elections have not in all Cases been duly made according to the Provisions of the said Act: And whereas Doubts are entertained by and before whom the Meetings for such Elections can now be convened and holden for the Purpose of supplying such 'Deficiencies: And whereas • the Elections of Corporate Officers and others are liable to be · questioned by reason of any Defect that may be in the Title · of the presiding Officer before whom the Election may have * been had, notwithstanding that the Election may have been • otherwise good in all respects:' For Remedy thereof be it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That no Election of any Person into Election not to any Corporate Office which shall take place after the passing of be questioned for Title of this Act shall be liable to be questioned by reason of any presiding Defect in the Title or Want of Title of the Person before whom Officer; such Election may have been had, provided that the Person before whom such Election shall be had shall be then in the actual Possession of or acting in the Office giving the Right to preside at such Election; and, subject and without Prejudice to the Provisions for discontinuing Proceedings herein-after contained, all Elections into any Corporate Office since the Twenty-fifth Day of December in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-five, in any Borough named in either of the Schedules (A.) and (B.) annexed to the said Act for regulating Corporations, and all Acts duly done in right of their Office since the said Twenty-fifth Day of December by the Persons [No.29. Price 2d.] **F**f chosen

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chosen at any such Election, and all Acts duly done by any Person with reference to any such Election, shall be good to all Intents and Purposes, notwithstanding any Defect in the Title or Want of Title in the Person so presiding arising from the Provisions of the said Act or of any former Charter or any local Custom not having been duly complied with, and notwithstanding that there may not have been at the Time of the passing of the said Act any such Body Corporate as is named in the Schedule (A.) or (B.) of the said Act in conjunction with the Name of the Borough in which such Election may have been had, or any such Officer as is charged by the said Act with the Execution of such Duties; provided that the Person or Persons before whom or by whose Authority any such Election may have been had, or by whom any Summons shall have been issued, or List made out or received, or other Act done for holding or with reference to any such Election, shall have bond fide taken upon himself the Duties of the Office giving Right to preside at such Election, or issue such Summons, or make out or receive such List, or do such Act as aforesaid: Provided nevertheless, that nothing herein-before contained shall prevent any such Election or Act done by any Person from being questioned and set aside by reason of any Fraud or any Irregularity or Defect other than is herein-before specified: Provided also, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to invalidate any Payment bond fide made, or to invalidate or render valid any Notice to quit given before the passing of this Act, or render liable to any Penalty or Punishment any Person who would not have been liable to such Penalty or Punishment in case this Act had not been made.

II. And be it enacted, That all Elections duly made or other Acts duly done since the said Twenty-fifth Day of December at any Meeting of the Council or Councillors of any the whole Num- Borough named in either of the Schedules of the said Act by a Majority of the Members of the Council or Councillors present at such Meeting, the whole Number present not being less than One Third Part of the Number of the whole Council, shall be good notwithstanding that the whole or due Number of Aldermen may not have been then elected : Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall extend to affect the Right of any Person to prove the Validity or Invalidity of any Election or Act had or done before the passing of this Act, and hereby made good or valid, in any Action already brought or hereafter to be brought to try the Right to any Office of Profit, or to recover the Profits or Receipts thereof; and every such Action in which it may be material to either Party to prove the Validity or Invalidity of any such Election or Act shall be tried and decided to all Intents and Purposes as if this Act had not passed; provided, that such Action shall be brought within Twelve Calendar Months after the passing of this Act.

III. And be it enacted, That all Elections had before the tion of Assessors passing of this Act, or to be had under this Act, in any Borough named

provided that the Person shall have taken upon himself the Office.

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All Elections duly made since 25th December good, though ber of Aldermen not elected.

Nothing herein to affect any Person in Actions to try the **Right to Office** of Profit.

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named in either of the said Schedules, at any Time before the Election of Assessors for such Borough, shall be as good as if had before the Mayor and Assessors jointly.

IV. And whereas by the said Act it is provided, that in 5 & 6 W. 4. c. 76. every Case in which there shall be a Division into Wards of s. 43. in part ' any Borough the Assessors who shall hold the Court for re-• vising the Burgess Lists with the Mayor shall be the Assessors ' of the Mayor's Ward, and it may be, in case the Mayor be · chosen from among the Aldermen, that there is no Mayor's ' Ward in such Borough;' be it enacted, That so much of the said Act as provides that the Assessors who shall hold the Court for revising the Burgess Lists with the Mayor shall be the Assessors of the Mayor's Ward is hereby repealed; and in every Two Revising Borough divided into Wards Two Assessors shall be chosen on Assessors to be the Twenty-first Day after the passing of this Act, and in every Manner as the subsequent Year on the First Day of March, or on the follow- Auditors are. ing Day if that Day be on a Sunday, to hold the Court for revising the Burgess Lists with the Mayor, in like Manner as is provided in the said Act concerning the Election of Two Auditors of such Borough; and no Burgess List which shall have been revised before the passing of this Act by the Mayor alone or by the Mayor assisted by any other Person or Persons, shall be taken to have been ill revised by reason of the Mayor not having been assisted by the Assessors of the Mayor's Ward, but every such revised List, if otherwise revised according to the Provisions of the said Act, shall be good, and the fair and true Copy thereof, made according to the Provisions of the said Act, shall be the Burgess Roll for the present Year in that Borough.

V. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this Act no Burgess Roll Burgess Roll shall be liable to be questioned by reason of any not to be ques-Defect of Title or Want of Title of the Mayor or Assessors by Title of the whom the same shall have been revised, or any or either of Mayor or them, provided that he or they shall have been in the actual Assessors. Possession and Exercise of the Office of Mayor or Assessor, as the Case may be.

VI. And be it enacted, That in every Borough in which by Burgess Roll to reason of any Neglect or Informality a new Burgess Roll of the be in force until said Borough shall not have been duly made in any Year within Burgess Roll. the Time directed by the said Act, the Burgess Roll which was in force before the Time appointed for the Revision shall continue in force until such new Burgess Roll shall have been duly made.

VII. And be it enacted, That no Body Corporate named in Corporations the Schedules of the said Act for regulating Corporations, in not dissolved by Neglect to make which no new Burgess Roll was made in the Month of October new Burgess last, shall therefore be taken to have been dissolved, but every Roll. such Body Corporate shall have and continue to have perpetual Succession, and all the Rights, Powers, Privileges, and Liabilities which it would have had if the new Burgess Roll had been duly made; and in any Case in which no Councillors shall have been elected on the First Day of last November to supply the Ff 2 . Place

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Place of those who were then to go out of Office according to the Provisions of the said Act, the Councillors who were to continue in Office shall so continue in like Manner and for the same Time as if such new Election had been duly made.

VIII. And be it enacted, That in every Case in which, under the Provisions of the said Act for regulating Corporations, any Person shall be entitled to reckon the Rating and Occupancy of any House, Warehouse, Counting-house, or Shop in any Borough by any other Person as Part of his own Rating and Occupancy, it shall not be necessary, in support of the Title of such Person to be enrolled on the Burgess Roll, to prove that he was an Inhabitant Householder within the said Borough, or within Seven Miles of the said Borough, or that he was an Occupant or rated within the same, before the Title to such House or other Property as aforesaid shall have devolved upon him.

1X. And be it further enacted, That the Rating in the Name of the Person previously occupying shall be considered a sufficient Rating of the Person so entitled until a new Rate shall be made subsequent to such Devolution of Title as aforesaid.

X. And be it enacted, That in every Borough named in the said Schedules in which or in any Ward or Wards of which it is doubtful who should have gone out of the Council in the Month of November last, by reason of the same Number of Votes having been given for Two or more Persons, and by reason of the Council not having determined who should then go out of Office according to the Provisions of the said Act for regulating Corporations, all the Councillors in such Borough or Ward respecting whose Continuance in Office any such Doubt shall arise shall continue in Office for the same Time as if they had been elected on the said First Day of November now last past; and the Council shall determine which of them shall go out of Office on the First Day of November now next ensuing; and if the Doubt shall extend to those who should have gone out of Office on the First Day of November now next ensuing, the Council shall also determine which of them shall go out of Office on the First of November in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

XI. And be it enacted, That so much of the said Act for regulating Corporations as provides that no new Election of Councillors shall be made by reason of any extraordinary Vacancy in the Office of Councillor unless the Number of Councillors remaining after such Vacancy shall not exceed Two Thirds of the whole Number of the Council of the Borough, is hereby repealed; and that every Election of a Councillor to supply any such extraordinary Vacancy, either alone or together with other Councillors, which shall have been had on the First Day of November last, shall be valid, although the Number of Councillors did then exceed Two Thirds of the whole Number of the Council, and although such Vacancy may have happened more than Ten Days previously to the said First Day of

As to reckoning a former Person's Rating and Occupancy as Part of a subsequent Occupier's.

Rating in Name of former Occupier sufficient.

Provision for certain Cases in which there has been Equality of Votes.

Repeal of Provision relating to Vacancies in the Council.

Provision in lieu thereof. of November last, if in other respects such Election shall have been duly had according to the Provisions for the annual Election of Councillors contained in the said Act for regulating Corporations; and the Councillor elected by the smallest Number of Votes at such Election, if elected with other Councillors, shall be the Councillor elected to supply such extraordinary Vacancy as aforesaid; and in every Case in which more than One such extraordinary Vacancy shall be so supplied the Councillor elected by the smallest Number of Votes shall be taken to be elected in the Room of him who would regularly have first gone out of Office, and the Councillor elected by the next smallest Number of Votes shall be taken to be elected in the Room of him who would regularly have next gone out of Office, and so with respect to the other.

XII. And be it enacted, That in every Borough named in Vacancies the said Act in which by reason of any Failure in complying among the Councillors or with the Directions of the said Act the full Number of Councillors Ward Amessure, or Ward Assessors hath not been elected according to the true how to be sup-Intent and Meaning of the said Act, the Burgesses of the plied. Borough, or of the several Wards in which the Vacancies may be that ought to be filled up, as the Case may be, shall on the Fourteenth Day after the passing of this Act openly assemble and elect the Councillors and Ward Assessors, to be elected in the Manner directed in the said Act; and the Mayor, or if there shall be no Mayor the Councillor assessed to the Poor to the greatest Amount in respect of any Messuage, Land, Tenement, Tithe, or other Hereditaments of which he is Occupier and also Owner within such Borough, shall preside at such Election in the Case of a Borough not divided into Wards, and in the Case of a Borough divided into Wards the Councillors elected in each Ward shall separately choose the Councillor who shall preside at the Election of Councillors and Ward Assessors in that Ward, or in case a Majority of them in any Ward cannot agree, then the Councillor elected in that Ward who is assessed to the Poor to the greatest Amount in respect of any Messuage, Land, Tenement, Tithe, or other Hereditaments of which he is Occupier and also Owner within the Borough, shall preside at such Election, and shall have in that Behalf all the Powers given by the said Act to the Mayor of the Borough in the first Election of Councillors.

XIII. And be it enacted, That the Mayor of every Borough Mayor or Counnamed in the said Act, and in which no Alderman or less than cillor to convene the full Number of Aldermen shall have been elected, or if the Council to there shall be no Mayor the Councillor who shall be chosen supply Vacanfor that Purpose by the greatest Number of Councillors within cies in the Office the Borough, or in case a Majority of them shall not be able Mayor. to agree, then the Councillor chosen before the passing of this Act assessed and being Occupier and Owner as aforesaid to the greatest Amount in the whole Borough, shall within Ten Days after the Vacancies (herein-before last mentioned) shall have been filled up convene a Meeting of the Council for the Purpose of filling any Vacancies in the Office of Alderman, or of

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of Mayor, or of Mayor and Alderman, as the Case may be; and at every such Meeting such Mayor or Councillor shall preside, and the Council shall proceed to elect the Aldermen then to be elected; and immediately after the Election of Aldermen, if any Aldermen are then to be elected, the Council shall proceed to elect a Mayor, if there shall then be no Mayor; and the Councillor by whom the Meeting was convened shall continue to preside at the Election of Mayor; and in every Case of Vacancy which may be occasioned among the Councillors by reason of any such Election of Aldermen, and which ought to be filled according to the Provisions of the said Act, the Mayor shall convene a Meeting of Burgesses for the Purpose of filling such Vacancy in the Manner provided by the said Act in the Case of extraordinary Vacancies in the Office of Councillor: Provided always, that the President of any such Meeting of the Council holden under the Provisions of this Act for the Election of a Mayor or Alderman in any Borough in which there shall be no Mayor shall have a second or casting Vote in case of an Equality of Votes.

Manner of electing Aldermen.

Auditors and Assessors disqualified to be of the Council.

In case of Illness of Alderman at Election.

Assessor may appoint a Deputy.

XIV. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this Act the Election of Aldermen by the Council shall be in manner following; that is to say, every Member of the Council entitled to vote in that Election may vote for any Number of Persons, not exceeding the Number of Aldermen then to be chosen, by personally delivering at such Meeting, to the Mayor or Chairman of the Meeting, a voting Paper containing the Christian Name and Surname of the Persons for whom he votes, with their respective Places of Abode and Descriptions, such Paper being previously signed with the Name of the Member of Council voting; and the Mayor or Chairman of the Meeting, as soon as all the voting Papers have been delivered to him, shall openly produce and read the same, and immediately afterwards deliver them to the Town Clerk, to be kept among the Records of the Borough; and in case of Equality of Votes among those entitled to vote the Mayor or Chairman shall have a casting Vote, whether or not he may be entitled to vote in the first instance.

XV. 'And whereas by the said Act for regulating Corpo-' rations it is provided, that no Burgess shall be eligible to be ' or be elected an Auditor or Assessor who shall be of the ' Council;' be it also enacted, That no Burgess shall be eligible to be elected a Member of the Council while holding the Office of Assessor or elective Auditor.

XVI. And be it enacted, That in case of the Illness or Incapacity to act of any Alderman at any Election, the Mayor shall be empowered to appoint another Alderman to act in the Room of such Alderman during such Illness or Incapacity.

Room of such Alderman during such Illness or Incapacity. XVII. And be it enacted, That every Assessor shall be empowered and he is hereby directed as soon as conveniently may be after his Election, and from Time to Time as the Occasion may arise or to him may seem fit, to appoint under his Hand a Deputy to act for him in case of his Illness or Incapacity

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pacity to act at any Election or any Revision of the Burgess Lists; and every such Appointment shall be signified by him in Appointment to Writing under his Hand to the Council, and shall be recorded the Council. on the Minutes of their Proceedings.

XVIII. And be it enacted, That at any Election under the Poll may be Provisions of the said Act or of this Act it shall be lawful for closed if an the presiding Officer to close the Poll at any Time before Four elapsed without of the Clock, if One Hour shall have elapsed during which no . Vote being Vote shall have been tendered for any Candidate; provided tendered. that no Person or Persons have within the last Hour been prevented from coming to the Poll by any Riot, Violence, or other unlawful Means, of which Notice shall have been given to the Returning Officer.

XIX. And be it enacted, That every Mayor elected under Mayor, Alderthe Provisions of this Act shall continue in Office until his men, and Coun-Successor shall have accepted the Office of Mayor, and shall Act to continue have made and subscribed the Declaration required in that as if elected in Behalf; and every Alderman and Councillor elected under the due Time. Provisions of this Act shall continue in Office for the same Time as if he had been elected in the Month of November last according to the Directions of the said Act for regulating Corporations.

XX. And be it enacted, That every Proceeding commenced Proceedings on before the passing of this Act, and still pending in the Court account of Deof King's Bench, against any Person upon any Ground on which this Act to be it is herein declared that the Validity of the Election into discontinued. any Corporate Office shall not be questioned, or for the Purpose of bringing into question the Validity of any Election or Act which is herein declared to be good, shall be discontinued immediately upon the passing of this Act, upon Payment of the Costs incurred up to that Time; and the Prosecutor or Relator shall be entitled to receive from the Defendant in every such Proceeding all such Costs, to be taxed as between Attorney and Client, according to the Practice of such Court.

XXI. And be it further enacted, That no Advantage shall No Advantage be taken of the Invalidity of any Election which shall be ren- to be taken dered valid by this Act in any Action already brought or in Actions which may be hereafter brought by any Corporation, but such brought by any Action shall be tried on its Merits, as if no such Objection Corporation. could be set up against the Plaintiff's Right of proceeding, but the Court in which such Action is or shall be brought, or any Judge of the same Court in Vacation, shall on Application of the Defendant, if the Court or Judge think the Invalidity of any such Election would have been a Defence to such Action, order the Plaintiff in any such Action to pay such Defendant his Costs up to the Time of the Application, and also his Costs of the Application, taxed as between Party and Party.

XXII. And be it further enacted, That from and after the Power to take Commencement of this Act any Burgess of any Borough shall Extracts from be at liberty, at all seasonable Times, to make any Copy of or take any Extract from the Book required by the said Act to be kept for the Purpose of entering the Minutes of Council, and also

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also to make any Copy or take any Extract from any Order in Council of such Borough for the Payment of any Money; and it shall also be lawful for any Alderman or Councillor of any Borough, at all seasonable Times, to make any Copy of or take any Extract from the Book required by the said Act to be kept by the Treasurer of such Borough.

XXIII. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this Act every Application to the Court of King's Bench for the Purpose of calling upon any Person to show by what Warrant he claims to exercise the Office of Mayor, Alderman, Councillor, or Burgess in any Borough shall be made before the End of Twelve Calendar Months after the Election or the Time when the Person against whom such Application shall be directed shall have become disqualified, and not at any subsequent Time.

XXIV. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for any Person whose Claim shall have been rejected or Name expunged at the Revision of the Burgess Roll of any of the said Boroughs to apply, before the End of the Term then next following, to the Court of King's Bench for a Mandamus to the Mayor for the Time being of that Borough to insert his Name upon the Burgess Roll, and thereupon for the Court to inquire into the Title of the Applicant to be so enrolled; and if the Court shall award such Mandamus, the Mayor shall be bound to insert the Name upon the Burgess Roll, and shall add thereunto the Words "By Order of the Court of King's Bench," and shall subscribe his Name to such Words; and thereupon the Person whose Name shall be so added to the Burgess Roll shall be. deemed a Burgess, and entitled to vote and act as a Burgess in all respects as if his Name had been put upon the Burgess Roll by the Mayor and Assessors; and upon every such Application the Court shall have Power to make such Order with respect to the Costs as to the Court shall seem fit.

XXV. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this Act, in case no Election shall be made of any Mayor, or any of the Aldermen, Councillors, or other Corporate Officers, in any Borough named in the said Schedules, upon the Day or within the Time appointed by the said Act for regulating Corporations or by this Act for any such Election, or such Election being made shall afterwards become void, whether such Omission or Avoidance shall happen through the Default of the Officer or Officers who ought to preside at such Election, or by any Accident or other Means whatsoever, the Corporation shall not thereby be deemed or taken to be dissolved or disabled from electing such Mayor, Alderman, or Councillor, or other Corporate Officer, for the future, but in any Case where no such Election shall be made as aforesaid the Election for any such Mayor, Alderman, Councillor, or other Corporate Officer may be had, held, and proceeded with upon the Day next after the Day on which such Election ought to have been made, unless such Day shall happen to be on a Sunday, and then upon the Monday following, and every Act necessary to be done in order to

Proceedings of Quo warranto against Mayor, &c. to be commenced within Twelve Months.

Applications may be made to Court of King's Bench for a Mandamus to put a Burgess on the Roll.

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to and for the completing such Election shall and may be then done, and the same shall be as effectual and valid for all Purposes as if the Election had been made on the proper Day appointed for that Purpose.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this Powers given Act all the Powers, Authorities and Jurisdictions by an Act of to Court of the Eleventh Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King King's Bench under 11 G. 1. George the First, intituled An Act for preventing the Inconve- c. 4. extended niences arising from Want of Elections of Mayors or other Chief to Elections Magistrates of Boroughs or Corporations being made upon the Days under 5&6W.4. c. 76. and this appointed by Charter or Usage for that Purpose, and directing in Act. what Manner such Elections should be afterwards made, given to His Majesty's Court of King's Bench in Cases where no Election shall be made of the Mayor, Bailiff or Bailiffs, or other Chief Officer or Officers of Cities, Boroughs, or Towns Corporate, upon the Day or within the Time appointed by Charter or Usage for that Purpose, and that no Election is made pursuant to the Directions in that Act prescribed, or such Election being made shall afterwards become void as in that Act mentioned, shall and the same are hereby extended to all Cases in which no Election shall be made of any Mayor, Alderman, Councillor, or other Corporate Officer, or other Person, to any Corporate Office, on the Day or within the Time appointed for any such Election under the Provisions of the said Act of the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His present Majesty for regulating Corporations, or of this Act; and the said Court of King's Bench is hereby empowered in all such Cases to award a Mandamus, and to cause such Proceedings to be had thereupon, and to make such Orders, and to do all other Acts, Matters, and Things in respect thereof, as fully and effectually as the said Court is now by Law authorized in any other Cases of Mandamus for the Election of any Officers of Corporations; and the Election to be held under such Mandamus shall be held and the Proceedings thereon conducted within the Borough in the same Manner and under the like Regulations and Provisions as are in the said Act of His Majesty King George the First enacted and provided.

XXVII. And be it declared and enacted, That every Person Freem who at the Time of the passing of the said Act for regulating be admitted Corporations was entitled to be admitted to the Freedom of any titled before the Borough named in the Schedules to the last-recited Act shall be passing of 5 & 6 entitled to be admitted thereunto in like Manner, and subject W. 4 a. 76. to the same Conditions, Restrictions, and Limitations, in all respects, as any Person who shall have acquired his Title to such Freedom after the passing of the last-recited Act.

XXVIII. 'And whereas by an Act passed in the last Session Money bor-• of Parliament, intituled An Act for the better Administration of rowed to dis-• the Borough Fund in certain Boroughs, it is enacted, that it shall charge any pre-existing Debt · be lawful for the Council of any Borough named in the Sche- to be deemed dules (A.) and (B.) annexed to the first herein-before men-tioned Act, to execute from Time to Time any Deed or the passing of • Obligation in the Name of the Body Corporate whose Council 6 & 7 W.4. • they are for securing R⁰¹ timent and Satisfaction of any Debt • 104. • or

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⁶ or Obligation contracted by or on behalf of the said Body ⁶ Corporate before the passing of the said Act for regulating ⁶ Corporations;' be it enacted, That any Money borrowed by any such Council for the Purpose of being applied and which shall be actually applied in or towards Satisfaction and Discharge of any such pre-existing Debt or Obligation shall be deemed and taken to be, within the true Intent and Meaning of the said Act of the last Session of Parliament, a Debt contracted by or on behalf of such Body Corporate before the passing of the said Act for regulating Corporations.

XXIX. And whereas the Limits of Boroughs in some Cases extend over Parts of Parishes, Townships, and Places, paro-Ę chial or otherwise, leaving the Remainder of such Parishes, Townships, and Places without the Limits of such Boroughs; 6 and Doubts have arisen whether the said Act contains Provisions under which the Share which ought to be paid by the Parts included within the Limits of any Borough of any · Borough Rate to be levied in pursuance of the same Act can ' be assessed and levied upon such Parts exclusively of the ' Remainder not within the Limits of the Borough;' now be it enacted, That the Overseer or Overseers of the Poor within any Parish, Township, or Place whereof Part lies within the Limits of a Borough as aforesaid, or any Person or Persons who, in pursuance of the Powers contained by reference in the said Act, shall be appointed to act as Overseer or Overseers, shall and may and is and are hereby empowered to levy and raise, in manner directed by the said Act, upon such Part exclusively of any Parish, Township, or Place as is situate within the Limits of such Borough, such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be required to pay every Borough Rate (including Rates already paid by such Overseer or Overseers or other Person or Persons) assessed and to be hereafter assessed under the Authority in the said Act, upon such Part of any such Parish, Township, or Place as lies within the Limits of such Borough.

XXX. And be it enacted, That all Matters cognizable by virtue of any Local Act of Parliament or otherwise by any Justice of the Peace, or by the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace having Jurisdiction within any Place which since the passing of the said Act for regulating Corporations, or of an Act passed in the Sixth and Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, intituled An Act to make temporary Provision for the Boundaries of certain Boroughs, has ceased or which under any future Act may cease to be within and to be Part of any Borough or the Liberties thereof, shall be cognizable by the Justices of the Peace or the General or Quarter Sessions of the County, Riding, or Division, Liberty or Jurisdiction, within which such Place is situate, in the same Manner and subject to the same Provisions as the same were within the Jurisdiction of the Justices of the Peace for that Borough or Place, or of the General or Quarter Sessions of the same.

st XXXI. And be it enacted, That after the passing of this de Act all Offences committed within any Borough, or the Precincts

Overseers may levy Borough Rates on Parts exclusively of any Parish within the Limits of the Borough.

Certain Matters of local Jurisdiction made cognizable by Justices of Peace for the County, &c.

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Offences against Local Acts made cognizable by cincts thereof, against the Provisions of any Local Act of Par- Borough Jusliament, shall be cognizable by the Justices of such Borough, and such Justices shall possess all the Powers and Jurisdiction with respect to such Offences which were heretofore possessed by the Justices of any County, Riding, Division, Liberty, or Jurisdiction, by virtue of any such Local Act: Provided always, that in every Case in which Imprisonment might be awarded for any such Offence, or to enforce Payment of any Penalty imposed by any such Act, such Imprisonment may be awarded to take place in any Gaol to which the Justices of that Borough have Power to commit Offenders.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That every Court of Record Before whom for the Trial of Civil Actions within any Borough named in the Courts of Re-cord may be Schedules to the said Act for regulating Corporations may in the holden. Absence of the Recorder be holden for all Purposes within the Competency of the said Court (except the Trial of Issues in Law or in Fact) before any Person whom the Recorder shall from Time to Time appoint for that Purpose under his Hand and Seal, such Person being a Barrister at Law or Attorney of Five Years Practice.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That all Rules, Orders, and Orders, Aff. Affidavits, and all other Matters and Things, (except the Trial davits, &c., now of Issues in Law or in Fact,) in any way relating to the Business made by or before the Reof any Borough Court of Record not regulated by Local Act corder, may be of Parliament, of which the Recorder or his Deputy is or made by or hereafter may become the Judge or now acts as Assessor, which Registrar in must now by Law be made, sworn, or done by or before such Absence of the Recorder or such Deputy, or other the Judge of the said Court, Recorder. may be made, sworn, or done, either in Court or out of Court, in the Absence of the said Recorder or his Deputy, by or before the Registrar of such Court, or such other Person, being a Barrister at Law or Attorney of Five Years standing, as the Recorder shall appoint under his Hand and Seal.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That in every such Borough Recorders to be Court of Record in which the Recorder acts as Assessor he sole Judges of Borough Courts shall after the passing of this Act be the sole Judge; and that in which they the Provisions of this Act, and of the said Act for regulating act as Assessors. Corporations, and also of an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for the better Administration of 6 & 7 W. 4. Justice in certain Boroughs, shall extend to all such Courts of c. 105. which the Recorder now acts as Assessor, or of which he shall hereafter become the Judge, any thing in the last-mentioned Acts or either of them to the contrary notwithstanding.

XXXV. And be it enacted, That if His Majesty shall be Jurisdiction of pleased, upon the joint Petition of the Council of any Borough Court of Record named in either of the Schedules to the said Act for regulating tended. Corporations, and of the Justices of the adjoining County, Riding, Parts, or Division of a County, in Quarter Session assembled, to grant that the Jurisdiction of any Court of Record for the Trial of Civil Actions, or of any Court of Requests or of Conscience for the Recovery of Small Debts within such Borough, shall be extended over any District adjacent to the said

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said Borough, and within the Jurisdiction of such Quarter Sessions, such as to His Majesty, with the Advice of His Privy Council, shall seem fit, the Jurisdiction of every such Court respectively shall be extended according to the Tenor of the Grant; and all the Powers and Provisions contained in the said Act for regulating Corporations, and in an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for the better Administration of Justice in certain Boroughs, and in this Act, relating to any such Court, shall extend to the whole District comprised within such extended Jurisdiction.

XXXVI. 'And whereas by the said Act for regulating Cor-· porations it is provided that no Person shall be summoned to serve as a Juror at the Court of Session of the Peace, or ' Court of Record, in any Borough named in either of the Schedules to the said Act, oftener than once in One Year; be it enacted, That nothing in the said Act contained shall prevent or excuse any Person, qualified and liable to serve on any such Jury, from being summoned a Second Time in One Year in case every Person qualified and liable so to serve shall have been summoned once during that Year.

XXXVII. And be it enacted, That the several Councils of the Cities of Canterbury, Lichfield, and Lincoln, and of every other Borough named in the Schedules to the said Act for regulating Corporations, shall have all the Powers for building, enlarging, and repairing any Gaol or House of Correction belonging to their City or Borough respectively, which the Justices having the Government or ordering of any Gaol or House of Correction in any City or Borough within the Provisions of an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales, or of an Act passed in the Fifth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for amending an Act of the last Session of Parliament relating to the building, repairing, and enlarging of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction, and for procuring Information as to the State of all other Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales, had in General or Quarter Sessions before the passing of the said Act for regulating Corporations; subject nevertheless to any Alteration made in the last-recited Acts, or either of them, by an Act made in the Fifth and Sixth Years of His Majesty, 5&6W.4. c.38. intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practices in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, and all Things by any Act of Parliament provided to be done at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in relation to the building, enlarging, or repairing any such Gaol or House of Correction, shall be done at some quarterly Meeting of the Council of the City or Borough: Provided always, that before the building, enlarging, or repairing any such Gaol or House of Correction the Expediency thereof shall first be certified under

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Jurors may be summoned more than once yearly when all who are qualified have been once summoned.

Councils of Boroughs to have same Powers as Justices in General or Quarter Sessions had in relation to building, &c. Gaols, &c.

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or Borough: Provided also, that all Rules and Regulations made for the Government of any Prisoners confined in any such Gaol or House of Correction shall be approved by Two or more Justices acting in and for that City or Borough before they shall be transmitted to the Secretary of State.

XXXVIII. And be it enacted, That all the Powers of Regulation which before the passing of the said Act for regulating Corporations were possessed by the Justices having the Government, or ordering of any such Gaol or House of Correction, and all Things by any Act of Parliament provided to be done at any General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace in relation to the regulating of any such Gaol or House of Correction, shall, subject to any such Alteration as aforesaid, be exercised or done by the Justices of the City or Borough to which such Gaol or House of Correction shall belong, and for that Purpose the Justices shall hold a quarterly Session at the usual Times of holding quarterly Sessions of the Peace; provided that no Order made by the Justices in pursuance of these Powers which shall require the Expenditure or Payment of any Money shall be of force until confirmed by the Council of that City or Borough.

XXXIX. And be it enacted, That it shall not be lawful Mayor, &c. not for any Mayor, Alderman, Councilman, or other Officer of a to be interested in any Contract Corporation, to be interested or concerned or employed, directly for building, &c. or indirectly, as an Architect, Builder, Artist, Mechanic, Work- Gaols, &c. man, Merchant, Trader, or otherwise howsoever in any Part of the Work to be done or Materials to be supplied at any such Gaol or House of Correction, or in any Contract whatever relating thereto; and if any one holding such Office shall be so interested, concerned, or employed in such Work or Contract as aforesaid, he shall thenceforward be disqualified from continuing to hold such Office, and also from being thereafter elected or appointed to fill any Corporate Office within any such City or Borough.

XL. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Borough Gaol Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of any Borough, by their may be built Council, to contract for the Furchase of, and to have and hold Limits of the to them and their Successors, any Lands not exceeding in the Boroughwhole Five Acres, either within or beyond the Limits of the Borough, and to build thereon a Town Hall, Council House, Police Office, Gaol or House of Correction for the Borough; and any such Gaol or House of Correction, although built beyond the Limits of the Borough, may be declared by a Resolution of the Council, and upon such Resolution shall be taken to be, the Gaol or House of Correction of the Borough, and shall be within the same Jurisdiction and shall be governed and regulated in like Manner as if within the Limits of the Borough.

XLI. 'And whereas by the Extension of the Boundaries of Gaois, &c. under certain Boroughs, Cities, and Places, the County Gaols, Court County Juris- Houses, Depôts for Militia Arms, and other public Edifices to 6 & 7 W. 4.

Justices of Cities or Boroughs to regulate Gaols, &c. therein at quarterly Sessions.

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' and Offices of Counties have been included within the Boun-6 daries of those Cities or Boroughs, and are thereby subject to • the Jurisdiction of such Cities or Boroughs and of the Sheriffs ' and other Municipal Authorities thereof;' in Remedy whereof be it enacted, That all County Gaols, Courts, Depôts for Arms, and all Lands, Buildings, Easements, and Appurtenances thereunto belonging, which before the passing of the Act passed in the last Session of Parliament to make temporary Provision for the Boundaries of certain Boroughs, or the authorized Extension of the Boundaries of any Borough since the passing of that Act, were in, of, or belonging to any County, shall be taken to be and considered and shall remain Part and Parcel of such County, and under the exclusive Jurisdiction of the Authorities of such County, as if the said last-mentioned Act had not passed.

XLII. And be it enacted, That in every Case in which by virtue of any Contract made between the Council of any Borough and the Justices of any County, Riding, Parts, or Division of a County, Liberty, or Jurisdiction, according to the Provisions of the said Act for regulating Corporations, the Gaol belonging to such County, Riding, Parts, or Division of a County, Liberty, or Jurisdiction shall be used as the Gaol of such Borough, Prisoners for Debt or in Contempt arrested in any such Borough under any Process from any Court may be taken and removed from such Borough and confined in that Part of such Gaol which is appropriated to Debtors, and such Removal shall not be taken to be an Escape : Provided always, that every such Prisoner shall still be taken to be within the legal Custody of the Person or Persons in whose Custody he would have been if imprisoned within the Borough Gaol, and the Sheriff of such County, Riding, Parts, or Division of a County, Liberty, or Jurisdiction shall not be answerable for the safe Custody of any such Prisoner: Provided also, that it shall be lawful for the Person or Persons in whose Custody such Prisoner would have been if imprisoned within the Borough Gaol to take such Security from the Gaoler or Keeper of the Gaol to which any such Prisoner shall be so removed, for the safe Custody of all such Prisoners, as shall be agreed on between the Council and Justices aforesaid.

XLIII. ' And whereas an Act was passed in the last Session 6 of Parliament, intituled An Act for the better Administration of ' the Borough Fund in certain Boroughs, providing among other ' things that Accounts of the Receipt and Expenditure on ' account of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of such ' Boroughs should be sent to One of His Majesty's Principal · Secretaries of State, and be laid before both Houses of Parlia-' ment;' be it enacted, That every such Account shall be made up to the last Period of Audit of the said Receipt and Expenditure, and not further or otherwise.

XLIV. And whereas it is expedient to give all Persons ment of Money ' interested in the Borough Fund of every Borough a more' may be removed , ' direct and easy Remedy for any Misapplication of such Fund;' be

Certain Borough Debtors and **Prisoners** in Contempt may be removed to the County Gaol.

Period to which Accounts shall be made up. 6&7 W.4. c. 104.

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be it therefore enacted, That any Order of the Council of any of King's Bench by Certiorari. Borough for the Payment of any Sum of Money from or out of the Borough Fund of any Borough may be removed into the Court of King's Bench by Writ of Certiorari, to be moved for according to the usual Practice of the said Court with respect to Writs of Certiorari; and that such Order may be disallowed or confirmed upon Motion and Hearing, with Costs, according to the Judgment and Discretion of the said Court.

XLV. And be it enacted, That any Stocks, Funds, or Public Manner of Securities which may be standing in the Books of the Governor transferring and Company of the Bank of England, or of any other public perty standing Company or Society, in the Name of the Mayor, Aldermen, in the Bank and Burgesses of any Borough, either under their present or Books, &c. under any former Style or Title of Incorporation, and the Dividends and Interest thereof, and all Bonuses and Accretions thereunto, which shall belong to the Body Corporate of such Borough, without being subject to any Trust for charitable Purposes, may be transferred by and paid to such Person or Persons as the Council of the said Body Corporate shall appoint by an Instrument in Writing under the Corporate Seal of the Borough; provided that such Instrument of Appointment shall be signed and sealed also by the Clerk to the Charitable Trustees of the Borough, who is hereby directed, upon Request, to sign and seal the same.

XLVI. And be it enacted, That any Stocks, Funds, Secu- Manner of rities, and Monies standing as aforesaid in the Name of any transferring such Body Corporate, which shall belong to the Charitable Pro-perty standing Trustees of the Borough solely upon some charitable Trust or in the Bank Trusts, may be transferred by and paid to such Person or Per- Books, &c. sons as shall be appointed under the Hands and Seals of the greater Part of the Trustees, which Appointment shall be attested under the Hand and Seal of the said Clerk, provided that such Instrument as last aforesaid shall be also sealed with the Corporate Seal of the Borough, and the Mayor of the Borough is hereby required, upon Request, to cause the Seal of the Borough. to be affixed to such Instrument of Nomination.

XLVII. And be it enacted, That the Dividends and Interest By what Auof any Stocks, Funds, Securities, and Monies standing as afore- thority and to said in the Name of any such Body Corporate which shall belong whom Divi-dends of charipartly to the said Body Corporate, but subject to some chari- table and cortable Trust or Trusts, may be paid to such Person or Persons porate Property as shall be authorized to have the same paid to him or them, by standing in the Bank Books, &c. an Instrument in Writing under the Corporate Seal of the Bo- shall be paid. rough, and appointed under the Hands and Seals of the greater Part of the Trustees, which Appointment shall be attested under the Hand and Seal of the said Clerk.

XLVIII. And be it enacted, That in every Case the Receipt Receipts for of the Person or Persons authorized to give a Receipt to the Monies, and said Company or Society, by any Instrument under the Corporate Seal of the said Borough, and also signed and sealed by the Clerk to the Charitable Trustees, shall be an effectual Discharge to the said $Compa_{V_V}$ or Society, and all Monies so paid shall shall

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shall be applied to the Uses and in the Manner provided by the said Act; that is to say, so much of the said Monies as may be held on charitable Trusts shall be paid over to the Charitable Trustees of the said Borough, and so much as the said Body Corporate shall be entitled to beneficially shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Borough, and applied as directed by the said Act as Part of the Borough Fund; but no such public Company or Society as aforesaid shall be bound to see to the due Application thereof, or to the Validity of the Appointment of the Clerk to the Charitable Trustees, or to the Execution of any such Instrument by any of the said Trustees, or to inquire whether or not the said Stocks, Funds, Securities, or Monies are charged with or held upon any charitable Trust; and every Person authorized to receive any Monies under this Act shall account to the Council and to the Charitable Trustees respectively for all Monies so received by him, and the Council and Trustees respectively shall have the same Remedies against any such Person refusing or wilfully neglecting so to account as are provided by the said Act for regulating Corporations, in the Case of a Treasurer or other Officer appointed by the Council refusing or wilfully neglecting to account, as provided by the said Act during the Continuance of his Office, or within Three Months after the Expiration of his Office.

XLIX. And be it enacted, That if the Inhabitant Householders of any Town or Borough in England or Wales shall petition His Majesty to grant to them a Charter of Incorporation, it shall be lawful for His Majesty, by any such Charter, if He shall think fit by the Advice of His Privy Council to grant the same, to extend to the Inhabitants of any such Town or Borough within the District to be set forth in such Charter all the Powers and Provisions of the said Act for regulating Corporations, whether such Town or Borough be or be not a Corporate Town or Borough, or be or be not named in either of the Schedules to the said Act: Provided nevertheless, that Notice of every such Petition, and of the Time when it shall please His Majesty to order the same to be taken into consideration by His Privy Council, shall be published in the London Gazette One Month at least before such Petition shall be so considered, but such Publication shall not need to be by Royal Proclamation.

L. And be it further enacted, That, in all Boroughs and Places where General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace have under and by virtue of the said recited Act ceased or been discontinued to be holden, all such Business, Matters, and Things which, under or by virtue of any General or Local Act of Parliament, or any Usage or Custom, ought or were usually heard decided, or transacted at such General or Quarter Sessions by the Justices of the Peace, with the Assistance of any Juries there assembled, shall and may hereafter be heard, decided, and transacted by the General or Quarter Sessions of the Peace for the Counties, Ridings, or Divisions, Liberties, or Jurisdictions in which such Boroughs are situate, and by the Justices of the Peace and Juries there assembled respectively.

Powers of the Act 5 & 6 W.4. c. 76. may be granted by the Crown to Towns. or Boroughs, though not Corporate.

Business to be transacted at General or Quarter Sessions for the Counties, &c. in which Boroughs are situate.

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An Act to apply the Sum of Five millions two hundred in 142 belly and twenty thousand Pounds out of the Consolidated $\neq 27$ Fund to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and to appropriate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament.

[17th July 1837.]

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE, Your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and ' Ireland, in Parliament assembled, towards making good the "Supply which we have cheerfully granted to Your Majesty ' in this Session of Parliament, have resolved to grant unto ' Your Majesty the Sum herein-after mentioned; and do therefore most humbly beseech Your Majesty that it may be enacted;' and be it enacted, by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That There shall be there shall and may be issued and applied, for or towards applied; for the Service of the making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the Service of t of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the 5,220,0001. out Sum of Five millions two hundred and twenty thousand Pounds of the Consoout of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great lidated Fund. Britain and Ireland, and the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, or any Three or more of them, or the Lord High Treasurer of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland for the Time being, are or is hereby authorized and empowered to issue and apply the same accordingly.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for The Treasury the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three may caus or more of them, for the Time being, from Time to Time, by 5,220,000l. Warrant under their Hands, to cause or direct any Number of Bills to be made Exchequer Bills to be made out at the Receipt of Her Majesty's out in manner Exchequer at Westminster for any Sum or Sums of Money not 48 G. a. exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five millions two hundred and twenty thousand Pounds; and such Exchequer Bills shall be made out in the same or like Manner, Form, and Order, and according to the same or like Rules and Directions, as are directed and prescribed in and by an Act passed in the Fortyeighth Year of the Reign of His Majesty King George the Third, intituled An Act for regulating the issuing and paying off of Exchequer Bills.

III. And be it enacted, That all and every the Clauses, The Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, &c. in recircul and Disabilities contained in the said recited Act passed in the to this Act. Forty-eighth Year of the Reign of His said Majesty shall be applied and extended to the Exchequer Bills to be made out

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in pursuance of this Act, as fully and effectually, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said several Clauses, Provisoes, Powers, Privileges, Advantages, Penalties, Forfeitures, and Disabilities had been particularly repeated and re-enacted in the Body of this Act.

IV. And be it enacted, That the Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act shall and may bear an Interest not exceeding the Rate of Three-pence Halfpenny per Centum per Diem upon or in respect of the whole of the Monies respectively contained therein.

V. And be it declared and enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, and they are hereby empowered, to take, accept, and receive the Exchequer Bills authorized to be made out in pursuance of this Act, and to advance or lend to Her Majesty, at the Receipt of the Exchequer at Westminster, upon the Credit of the Sum granted by this Act out of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole the Sum of Five millions two hundred and twenty thousand Pounds, any thing in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary, intituled An Act for granting to Their Majesties several Rates and Duties upon the Tonnage of Ships and Vessels, and upon Beer, Ale, and other Liquors; and for securing certain Recompences and Advantages in the said Act mentioned to such Persons as shall voluntarily advance the Sum of One million five hundred thousand Pounds towards carrying on the War against France, or any other Act or Acts to the contrary notwithstanding.

VI. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury and they are hereby authorized and empowered to cause such Bills as shall be prepared by virtue of this Act to be delivered from Time to Time to the Governor and Company of the Bank of *England*, in such Proportions as the Public Service may require, as Security for any Advance or Advances which may be made to Her Majesty by the said Governor and Company of the Bank of *England* under the Authority of this Act.

VII. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to issue and apply from Time to Time all such Sums of Money as shall be raised by Exchequer Bills to be made out in pursuance of this Act to such Services as shall then have been voted by the Commons of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in this present Session of Parliament.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the Principal Sum or Sums of Money to be contained in all such Exchequer Bills to be made forth by virtue of this Act, together with the Interest that may become due thereon, shall be and the same are hereby made chargeable and charged upon the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland* in the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said

Interest on Exchequer Bills,

Bank of England may advance 5,520,000% on the Credit of this Act, notwithstanding 5 & 6 W. & M. c. 20.

Bills prepared by virtue of this Act to be delivered to the Bank as Security for such Advances.

Monies raised by Exchequer Bills to be applied to Services voted by the Commons.

Exchequer Bills made chargeable upon the growing Produce of the Consolidated Fund.

said Exchequer Bills have been issued; and it shall be lawful for the said Commissioners of the Treasury for the Time being, or any Three or more of them, and they are hereby authorized, from Time to Time, by Warrant under their Hands, to direct the Comptroller General of the Receipt of the Exchequer at Westminster, in such Manner as they shall think necessary, to grant a Credit on the Exchequer Funds in the Bank of England unto such Person or Persons as shall be named in the said Warrant, which Credit shall be chargeable on and paid out of the growing Produce of the said Consolidated Fund of the next succeeding Quarter to that in which the said Exchequer Bills have been issued, any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding in the whole a Sum sufficient to discharge and pay off the Principal Sum or Sums of Money contained in such Exchequer Bills then outstanding, and which may have been made out and issued by virtue of this Act, together with all such Interest as may be due thereupon.

IX. And be it enacted, That all the Monies coming into the Monies coming Exchequer of Great Britain by an Act passed in the present into the Exche-Session of Parliament, intituled An Act to apply the Sum of Two 7 W. 4. c. 6.; Millions to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and all the Monies coming into the said Exche- Monies coming quer by one other Act passed in this present Session of Parlia- in by ment, intituled An Act to apply the Sum of Eight Millions out of 7 W.4. c. 11. the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and also the Sum of Eleven Millions 11,000,0001. by granted by one other Act passed in the present Session of Par-Exchequer liament, intituled An Act for raising the Sum of Eleven Millions by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven ; and also all the Monies to be raised by Monies coming Exchequer Bills, not exceeding Three Millions, by virtue of one in by other Act passed in the present Session of Parliament, intituled 1 Vict. c. 27. An Act for granting to Her Majesty, until the Fifth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, certain Dutics on Sugar imported into the United Kingdom, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and also the 13,623,3001. by Sum of Thirteen millions six hundred and twenty-three thou- Exchequer sand three hundred Pounds granted by one other Act passed 1Viet. c. 58. in the present Session of Parliament, intituled An Act for raising the Sum of Thirteen millions six hundred and twenty-three thousand three hundred Pounds by Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and also the and 5,220,0001. Sum of Five millions two hundred and twenty thousand Pounds by this Act, shall by this Act granted, shall be further appropriated, and are hereafter exhereby appropriated, and shall be issued and applied for and presied. towards the several Uses and Purposes hereafter expressed.

X. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any There shall the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued be applied and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four 4,788,7611. millions seven hundred eighty-eight thousand seven hundred and Services; viz. sixty-one Pounds, for and towards the Naval Services hereinafter more particularly mentioned; (that is to say,) any Sum

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1,061,9161. for Wages to 33,700 Seamen and Marines, &c. ;

452,898*l*. for Victuals for Seamen, &c. in the Navy;

408,5352. for Wages of Artificers, &c. at home;

24,335*l*. for Wages of Artificers, &c. abroad ;

359,8271. for Naval Stores, &c. ;

109,1951. for Selaries, &c. of the Admiralty Office;

2,365L for Registry of Merchant Seamen's Office, &c. ;

SS,270L for the Scientific Departments of the Navy;

118,506L for Naval Establishments at home;

19,654% for Naval Establishments abroad :

or Sums of Money not exceeding One million fifty-one thousand nine hundred and sixteen Pounds, to defray the Charge of Wages to Thirty-three thousand seven hundred Seamen and Marines, and to the Ordinary and Yard Craft, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirtyfirst Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four hundred fifty-two thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight Pounds, to defray the Charge of Victuals for Seamen and Marines in Her Majesty's Fleet, and for the Ordinary and Yard Craft, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four hundred and eight thousand five hundred and thirty-five Pounds, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers, and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments et home, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-four thousand three hundred and thirtyfive Pounds, to pay the Wages of Artificers, Labourers, and others employed in Her Majesty's Naval Establishments abroad, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three hundred fifty-nine thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven Pounds, to defray the Expence of Naval Stores for the Building and Repair of Ships and Vessels, Purchase of Steam Machinery, and for other Purposes connected therewith, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred and nine thousand one hundred and ninety-five Pounds, to defray the Salaries of the Officers, and the contingent Expences of the Admiralty Office, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two thousand three hundred and sixty-five Pounds, to defray the Salaries of the Officers and the incidental Expences of the Office for the Registry of Merchant Seamen, to the Thirtyfirst Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirtythree thousand two hundred and seventy Pounds, to defray the Salaries of the Officers, and the contingent Expences of the several Scientific Departments of the Navy, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred eighteen thousand five hundred and six Pounds, to defray the Salaries of the Officers, and the contingent Expences of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments at home, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Nineteen thousand six hundred and fifty-four Pounds, to defray the Salaries of the Officers, and the contingent Expences of Her Majesty's Naval Establishments abroad, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and anv

any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred and 108,048L for eight thousand and forty-eight Pounds, to defray the Charge of new Works in new Works and Improvements and Repairs in the Yards, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 18,160% for Eighteen thousand one hundred and sixty Pounds, to defray Medicines, &c. ; the Charge of Medicines and Medical Stores, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-nine 29,3662 for thousand three hundred and sixty-six Pounds to defray the Naval Miscel-Charge of divers Navel Miscellancous Services to the Thintee lancous Ser-Charge of divers Naval Miscellaneous Services, to the Thirty- vices; first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eight \$10,7711 for handred and ten thousand seven hundred and seventy-one Naval Half Pay; Pounds, to defray the Charge of Half Pay to Officers of the Navy and Royal Marines, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or 528,6491. for Sums of Money not exceeding Five hundred twenty-eight thou- Military Pensand six hundred and forty-nine Pounds, to defray the Charge of Military Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and 208,7651. for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two hundred and Civil Pensions; eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-five Pounds, to defray the Charge of Civil Pensions and Allowances, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred 139,0531. to thirty-nine thousand and fifty-three Pounds, to defray the defray the Charge of Transports on Monthly Pay, and to defray the other Transports ; Charges for the Conveyance and Victualling of Troops, and for the Freight of Stores on account of the Army and Ordnance Departments, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money 98,1881. for not exceeding Ninety-eight thousand one hundred and eighty- conveying eight Pounds, to defray the Expence of conveying Convicts to N. S. Wales, New South Wales, which will come in course of Payment during the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of 22,8111. for Money not exceeding Twenty-two thousand eight hundred and Wages for Seaeleven Pounds, to defray the Charge of Wages for Seamen em- service ; ployed in the Packet Service, which will come in course of Payment in the Year ending on the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum 10,7708 for or Sums of Money not exceeding Ten thousand seven hundred Victuals for and seventy Pounds, to defray the Charge of Victuals for Seamen, &c. in Seamen in Her Majesty's Fleet, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any 2,4881. for Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two thousand four Salaries of the hundred and eighty-eight Gg 3 Officers Gg 3

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for Half Pay and Pensions

Consolidated Fund. to wounded Foreign Officers, and of Allowances to the Widows

and Children of deceased Foreign Officers, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight both Days inclusive; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred forty-eight thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight Pounds, for defraying the Charge of Pensions to be paid to the Widows of Officers of the Land Forces, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirtyfirst Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight both Days inclusive; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred forty-six thousand five hundred Pounds, for defraying the Charge of Allowances on the Compassionate List, of Allowances as of Her Majesty's Royal Bounty, and of Pensions, Gratuities, and Allowances to Officers for Wounds, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight both Days 1,326,2451. 13. inclusive; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One million three hundred twenty-six thousand two hundred and forty-three Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Eight-pence, for defraying the Charge of Chelsea and Kilmainham Hospitals, of the In-Pensioners of those Establishments, of the Out-Pensioners of Chelsea Hospital, and of Pensions granted to discharged Negro Soldiers, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight both Days inclusive; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Forty-seven thousand Pounds, for defraying the Charge of Allowances, Compensations, and Emoluments in the Nature of Superannuation or Retired Allowances to Persons formerly belonging to the several Public Military Departments in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight both Days inclusive; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Forty thousand Pounds, for defraying the Charge which will probably be incurred for the Maintenance, Clothing, and other Expences of Three Companies of Mounted Riflemen, of Two provisional: Battalions of Infantry, and of other provisional Corps, which have been raised for the temporary Service of Her Majesty at the Cape of Good Hope, for the Year from the First Day of April One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight 186,7581.50.3d. both Days inclusive ; and any Sum or Sams of Money not exfor the Commis- ceeding One hundred eighty-six thousand seven hundred and fifty-eight Pounds Five Shillings and Three-pence, to defray the Charge of the Commissariat Department to the Thirty-first Day 52,7271. 4s. 6d. of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty-two thousand

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seven hundred and twenty-seven Pounds Four Shillings and of Commiss-Sixpence, to defray the Expence of Half Pay, Pensions, and rist; Allowances in the Commissariat Department, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred 192,1151.20.24. sinety-two thousand one hundred and fifteen Pounds Two Shil- for Disembodied lings and Two-pence, to defray the Charge of the Disembodied Militia. Militia of the United Kingdom, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

XII. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any There shall the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One 1,302,014l. million three hundred and two thousand and fourteen Pounds, Services; viz. for and towards the Ordnance Services herein-after more particularly mentioned; (that is to say,) any Sum or Sums of Money 66.9751. for Pounds, for defraying the Salaries to the Master General and ^{Ordnance at} the principal Officers and Clerks belonging to the Office of Ordnance at the Tower, Pall Mall, and Dublin, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any 84,1652, for Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eighty-four thousand Sularies Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding raginy-lour understand at Wooloich, one hundred and sixty-three Pounds, for defraying the Salaries Home Stations, at Woolwich, Home Stations, Out Stations in Ireland, and &c., Foreign Stations, and Salaries to Barrack Masters, &c. in Great Britain, Iroland, and the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum or Sums 4,447/. for of Money not exceeding Four thousand four hundred and forty- Master Gunseven Pounds, for defraying the Expence of the Master Gunners ners; at the several Garrisons and Batteries in Great Britain and Ireland, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 74,2591 for the Seventy-four thousand two hundred and fifty-nine Pounds, for Corps of Royal defraying the Expence of the Corps of Royal Engineers, the Engineers, Suppers, &c. Corps of Royal Sappers and Miners, and for the Instruction of Sappers and Miners and of junior Officers of the Corps of Royal Engineers in the Construction of Field Works, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven—eight; and 274,6251. for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two hundred the Royal seventy-four thousand six hundred and twenty-five Pounds, for Regiment of Artillery; defraying the Expence of the Royal Regiment of Artillery for Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum 36,1887. for or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirty-six thousand one Royal Horse handred and eighty-eight Pounds, for defraying the Expence of Artillery, &c. ; the Brigade of Royal Horse Artillery, and also for the Riding House Troop, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not ex- 6021 for Field ceeding Six hundred and two Pounds, for defraying the Expence Train Departof the Director General of Artillery and Field Train Depart- ment; ment, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 10,129/. for the Ten thousand one hundred and twenty-nine Pounds for defray- Medical Estab-ing lishment;

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165,531L for Superintendence, and for Ordnance Works and Repairs, &c.

138,7461. for Military, Civil, and Barrack Contingencies;

65,0001 for Ordnance and Military Store Branch Services;

8,324*l.* for Ordnance Services;

169,847*l*. for Ordnance Superannuations, Retired Allowances, Pensions, &c.;

203,3781. for Bread, &c. for Troops in *Great Britais*, and for Coals, &c. to Stations in the Colonies.

There shall be issued 24,623,300% to pay off Exthequer Bills Consolidated Fund.

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ing the Expence of the Medical Establishment for the Military Department of the Ordnance, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred sixty-five thousand three hundred and thirty-one Pounds, for defraying the Charge for the Superintendence, and for Ordnance Works and Repairs, Building and Repair of Barracks, for Storekeepers and Barrack Masters Expenditure, Allowances to Barrack Masters and Serjeants in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight, after deducting Two hundred thousand nine hundred and fifty-six Pounds Credits to be received for Rents, Sale of Lands and Premises, Sale of Arms, old Stores, §c. and for Rent of Canteens; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and forty-six Pounds, for defraying the Expence of the Military, Civil, and Barrack Contingencies in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven -eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Sixtyfive thousand Pounds, for defraying the Expence of Stores for Ordnance and Military Store Branch Services in Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eight thousand three hundred and twenty-four Pounds, for defraying the Expence of Services performed by the Office of Ordnance, and not provided for by Parliament, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six-seven; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred sixty-nine thousand eight hundred and forty-seven Pounds, for defraying the Charge of the Office of Ordnance on account of the Allowances to Superannuated, Retired, and Half Pay Officers, Pensions for good Services, Wounds, and Pensions to Widows and Children of deceased Officers late belonging to the several Ordnance Military Corps; also for Allowances, Compensations, and Emoluments in the Nature of Superannuated or Retired Allowances to Persons late belonging to the Office of Ordnance and to the Barrack Department, in respect of their having held any Public Offices or Employments of a Civil Nature; and also for Widows Pensions in Great Britain and Ireland, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two hundred and three thousand three hundred and seventy-eight Pounds, for defraying the Expence of Commissariat Supplies, viz. for the Supply of Bread, Meat, and Forage, Coals, Candles, and Straw for the Troops of Great Britain, and of Coals, Candles, Oil, Oats, &c. from Great Britain to Stations in the Colonies, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven--eight.

XIII. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-four millions six hundred twenty-three thousand three hundred Pounds, 1837.

Pounds, to pay off and discharge any Exchequer Bills charged charged on the on the Aids or Supplies of the Years One thousand eight hun- Aids of 1836 dred and thirty-six or One thousand eight hundred and thirty- or 1837. seven now remaining unpaid and unprovided for.

XIV. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any There shall the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three S,783L for Civil Establishment thousand seven hundred and eighty-three Pounds, to defray the of the Bahama Charge of the Civil Establishment of the Bahama Islands, to the Islands ; Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 4,4491, 13s. 4d. Four thousand four hundred and forty-nine Pounds Thirteen' for Bernuda Shillings and Four-pence, to defray the Charge of the Civil Islands , Establishment of the Bermudas, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum 3,070%. for or Sums of Money not exceeding Three thousand and seventy Prince Edward's Pounds, to defray the Charge of the Civil Establishment of Island; Prince Edward's Island, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums 11,0301. 15s. of Money not exceeding Eleven thousand and thirty Pounds 10d. for Western Fifteen Shillings and Ten-pence, to defray the Charge of the Africa; Civil Establishments on the Western Coast of Africa, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 14,140L184.6d. Fourteen thousand one hundred and forty Pounds Eighteen for British Shillings and Sixpence, to defray the Expences of the Eccle- North American Provinces; siastical Establishment of the British North American Provinces, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not ex- 5.3091, 54. ceeding Five thousand three hundred and nine Pounds and Five for Western Shillings, to defray the Expence of the Settlement of Western Australia; Australia, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 19,5001. for exceeding Nineteen thousand five hundred Pounds, to defray Lower and the Expence of the Establishment and Pensions of the Indian Upper Canada; Department in Lower and Upper Canada, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Nine hundred 9631. 04. 10d. and sixty-three Pounds and Ten-pence, to defray the Expence for Heligoland ; of the Civil Establishment of Heligoland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eighteen thon- 18,0001 for sand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Civil Establishment St. Helma; at Saint Helena and of Pensions and Allowances to the Civil and Military Officers and Soldiers of the East India Company's late Establishments in that Island, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any 7,4001. for Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven thousand four Nova Scotia. hundred Pounds, to defray the Expences of the Civil Govern-, ment of Nova Scotia to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, and also for the Erection of Lighthouses there.

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There shall be immed 2,000,000l. to discharge Supplies for 1836;

120.000% for Civil Contingencies ;

72,0591. for Repairs of Public Buildings and Furniture of Public Offices;

7,128L for Kingstown Harbour ;

head Roads,&c.

Buildings at the British Museum;

7,6001. for National Gallery, &c. ;

11,595L for providing temporary Houses of Parliament;

25,000l. for a Prison at Albany ;

14,800% for **Custom House** at Glasgow;

Officers of the

XV. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two Millions, to discharge the like Amount of Supplies granted for the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirtyvix, or for any preceding Year; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred and twenty thousand Pounds, to defray the Charge of Civil Contingencies, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seventy-two thousand and fifty-nine Pounds, to defray, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the Expence of Works and Repairs of Public Buildings, and for Furniture and other Charges for lighting and watching, and for Rates and Taxes, and for the Maintenance and Repair of Royal Palaces and Works in the Royal Gardens, heretofore charged upon the Civil List; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven thousand one hundred and twenty-eight Pounds, to definay the Expence of Works and Repairs at the Harbour of Kingstown, to the Thirty-first Day of March One 6,6501. for Holy- thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Six thousand six hundred and fifty Pounds, to defray the Expences of the Holyhead and Liverpool Roads, and Holyhead and Howth Harbours, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and 14,2501. for new thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fourteen thousand two hundred and fifty Pounds, to defray the Charge of new Buildings at the British Museum, to the Thirtyfirst Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven thousand six hundred Pounds, to defray the probable Expence of enclosing the Ground, in front of each of the Wings of the National Gallery and Royal Academy, and levelling, enclosing, and ornamenting the Area of Trafalgar Square; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eleven thousand five hundred and ninety-five Pounds, to defray the Expence of providing temporary Accommodation for the Houses of Parliament, Committee Rooms, Offices, and temporary official Residences for the Speaker of the House of Commons and other Officers of that House, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-five thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of converting certain Buildings attached to Albany Barracks, Isle of Wight, into a Prison for the Reception of Juvenile Offenders; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fourteen thousand eight hundred Pounds, to defray, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Expence of building a new Custom House at Glasgow, including

76,700L for the the Purchase of Ground; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seventy-six thousand seven hundred Pounds, to defray Houses of Lords the Charge of Salaries and Expences of the Two Houses of Parliament, and of Allowances to Retired Officers of the Two Houses

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Houses, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 49,0001, for exceeding Forty-nine thousand Pounds, to pay the Salaries, Salaries, &c. at contingent and other Expences of the Department of Her Majesty's Treasury, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of 20,4811 for Money not exceeding Twenty thousand four hundred and the Home Deeighty-one Pounds, to pay the Salaries and Expences of the partment; Office of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for the Home Department, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 70,867L for exceeding Seventy thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven Salaries, &c. in the Foreign Pounds, to pay the Salaries and other Expences in the Depart- Department; ment of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, also of the Foreign Messengers attached to that Department, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 17,4461, for Seventeen thousand four hundred and forty-five Pounds, to Selaries, &c. pay the Salaries and other Expences in the Department of Her in the Coloniel Majesty's Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-four 24,6381 for thousand six hundred and thirty-eight Pounds, to pay the Salaries, &c. Salaries and Expences in the Department of Her Majesty's Most at the I'nyy Honourable Privy Council and Committee of Privy Council for Trade, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 49,100k for exceeding Forty-two thousand one hundred Pounds, to defray Office of the Paymaster the Charge of the Office of Her Majesty's Paymaster General; General; to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred . and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceed- 14,300% for ing Fourteen thousand three hundred Pounds, to pay the Comptroller Salaries and contingent Expences in the Departments of the Exchequer; Comptroller General of the Exchequer and the Paymaster of Civil Services, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of 2.0061. for Money not exceeding Two thousand and six Pounds, to defray Professors at the Charge of the Salaries and Allowances granted to certain Cambridge; Professors in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 12,5001. for In-Twelve thousand five hundred Pounds, to defray the Charge solvent Debtors of the Salaries of the Commissioners of the Insolvent Debtors Court; Court, of their Clerks, and the contingent Expences of the Court and Office, and also the Expences attendant upon their Circuits, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 13,0001 for the exceeding Thirteen thousand Pounds, to defray the Charge of Penitentiary at the Penitentiary at Milbank, to the Thirty-first Day of March Milbank; One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum 3,9851. for Exor Sums of Money not exceeding Three thousand nine hundred pences of State and eighty-five Pounds, to pay the Salaries and other Expences Baper Office, of

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5,1001. forCommission of Criminal Law;

11,825*l*. for Commission of Charities;

6,3351 for Commission of Religious Instruction in Sectland;

2,5001. for Ecclesisatical Commissioners;

52,129l. for Commissioners of Poor Laws;

14,700*l*. for Commissions for preventing the Slave Trade, &c.;

100,389l. for Salaries of Consuls, &c. ;

9,953! for Salaries of Factory Inspectors, under 3 & 4W.4. c. 103. ; 5,800! for Inspectors of Prisons ;

51,840/. for the Mint;

79,3341. for Retired Allowances to Public Officers;

of the State Paper Office, the Office for the Custody of Records in the *Tower*, and the Office for the Custody of Records in the Chapter House, Westminster, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five thousand one hundred Pounds, to defray the Expences of the Commission for digesting the several Statutes relating to Criminal and other Law; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eleven thousand eight hundred and twenty-five Pounds, to defray the Expences of the Commission for inquiring into Public Charities, to its Termination; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Six thousand three hundred and thirty-five Pounds, to defray the Expences of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Opportunities of Religious Worship and Means of Religious Instruction and the Pastoral Superintendence afforded to the People of Scotland; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two thousand five hundred Pounds, to pay the Salaries and Expences incurred by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty-two thousand one hundred and twenty-nine Pounds, to defray, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Charge of Salaries and Expences of the Commissioners for the Amendment and better Administration of the Laws relating to the Poor in England and Wales; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fourteen thousand seven hundred Pounds, to pay, to the Thirtyfirst Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight, the Salaries and incidental Expences for the Commissions appointed on the Part of Her Majesty under the Treaties with Foreign Powers for preventing the illegal Traffic in Slaves; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred thousand three hundred and eighty-nine Pounds, to pay the Salaries of Her Majesty's Consuls General, Consuls, and Vice Consuls, and of the Superintendents of Trade at Canton, also of the contingent Expences connected with the Public Duties of such Consuls General, Consuls, and Vice Consuls, and Superintendents of Trade; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Nine thousand nine hundred and fifty-three Pounds, to defray the Charge of the Salaries, &c. of the Inspectors and Superintendents of Factories, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five thousand eight hundred Pounds, to defray the Salaries and Expences of the Inspectors of Prisons, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty-one thousand eight hundred and forty Pounds, to defray the Expenditure for the several Branches of the Mint, to the Thirty first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seventy-nine thousand three hundred and thirty-four Pounds, to defray the Charge of Allowances or Compensations to Per-SOIIS

sons formerly employed in the Public Offices or Departments, or in the Public Service, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums 10,000L for Reof Money not exceeding Ten thousand Pounds, to enable Her list to Toulouse Majesty to grant Relief, to the Thirty-first Day of March One Emigrants, thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, to Toulonese and Cor- Dutch Naval sican Emigrants, Dutch Naval Officers, Saint Domingo Sufferers, American Loyalists, and others, who have heretofore received Sufferers, Sec. ; . Allowances from Her Majesty, and who, for Services performed or Losses sustained in the British Service, have special Claims on Her Majesty's Justice and Liberality; and any Sum or Sums 1,8501 for of Money not exceeding One thousand eight hundred and fifty the Vaccine Establishment; Pounds, to defray the Expence of the National Vaccine Establishment, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three 3,0001. for the thousand Pounds, for the Support of the Institution called The Refuge for the Refuge for the Destitute, for the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 3,0751. for exceeding Three thousand and seventy-three Pounds, to defray Criminal the Expence of confining and maintaining Criminal Lunatics; in the Buildings attached to Bethlem Hospital, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four thousand 4,6001, for Dissix hundred Pounds, to pay, to the Thirty-first Day of March senting Minisone thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the usual Allow- ters, poor ances to the Protestant Dissenting Ministers in England, poor Clergy, &c.; French Refugee Clergy, poor French Refugee Laity, and sundry small charitable and other Allowances to the Poor of Saint Martin's in the Fields and others; and any Sum or Sums of \$5,9001. for Money not exceeding Thirty-five thousand nine hundred Pounds, Secret Services; to defray the Charge of Her Majesty's Foreign and other Secret Services, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 173,6001 for exceeding One hundred seventy-three thousand six hundred Stationery, &c. Pounds, to defray the Expence of providing Stationery, Printing, for Public Departments and Binding for the several Departments of Government and and the Two the Two Houses of Parliament, to the Thirty-first Day of March Houses of One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, including the Expence of the Establishment of the Stationery Office; and any 11,0001. for Law Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eleven thousand Pounds, Charges; to defray the Expence of Law Charges, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and 53,4001. for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty-three thou- maintaining sand four hundred Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Con- Convicts, &c.; vict Hulk Establishment at Home and at Bermuda, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 244,1007. for Two hundred forty-four thousand one hundred Pounds, to Convicts at New defray the Expence of maintaining Convicts at New South Wales South Wales, &c.; and Van Dieman's Land, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums 20,000! for of Money not exceeding Twenty thousand Pounds, to defray the Support of captured

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Destitute ;

Parliament, &c.;

Expences Negroes;

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2,50CL to Sir A. B. King;

20,000. for Erection of School-houses in England;

10,000L for Erection of Model Schools in Scotland;

24,000L to Revising Barristers under 2 W. 4. c. 45.;

14,450% for Expenses of Sheriffs, and Salaries, &c. of Officers of the Exchequer;

80,000*l.* for Charges on County Rates ;

10,000l. for distressed Poles;

1,000l. for exploxing N. W. of New Holland;

1,575L to purchase Shells for British Museum;

16,867l. for West India Colonies;

69,950% for Salaries of Special Justices in the Colonies;

Expences for the Support of captured Negroes and liberated Africans under the Acts for the Abolition of the Slave Trade, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two thousand five hundred Pounds, to pay the annual Compensation awarded to Sir Abraham Bradley King, late King's Stationer in Ireland, for Losses sustained by him by reason of the Revocation of his Patent; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty thousand Pounds, to enable Her Majesty to issue Money for the Erection of School-houses, in aid of private Subscriptions for that Purpose, for the Education of the Children of the poorer Classes in England, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty eight: and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Ten thousand Pounds, to enable Her Majesty to issue in the Year One theasand eight hundred and thirty-seven Money for the Erection of School-houses, in ald of private Subscriptions for that Parpose, for the Education of the Children of the poorer Classes and for the Erection of Model Schools in Scotland; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-four thousand Pounds, to pay the Allowances and Expences of the Barristers employed in revising Lists of Voters under the Act for amending the Representation of the People in England and Wales, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fourteen thousand four hundred and fifty Pounds, to defray, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the Expences incurred by Sheriffs, formerly paid from Civil Contingencies, also to make good the Deficiency of the Fees in the Office of the Queen's Kemembrancer in the Exchequer, and to pay the Salaries and ancient Allowances of certain Officers of the Court of Exchequer; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eighty thousand Pounds, to defray, in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven, certain Charges heretofore paid out of the County Rates; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Ten thousand Pounds, to enable Her Majesty to grant Relief to the distressed Poles now in this Country; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand Pounds, to defray a Part of the Charge of an Expedition for exploring the North-west Part of New Holland; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand five hundred and seventy-five Pounds, to enable the Trustees of the British Museum to purchase the Collection of Shells belonging to Mr. Broderip; and any Sum or Sume of Money not exceeding Sixteen thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven Pounds, to defray the Charge of Salaries of the Governors, Lieutenant Governors, and others of Her Majesty's West Indian Colonies, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Sixty-nine thousand nine hundred and fifty Pounds, to defray, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight, the Selaries

ries and Allowances to Special Justices appointed in pursuance of the Act for the Abolition of Slavery throughout the British Colonies; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirty 30,0001. for thousand Pounds, to defray, in the Year One thousand eight educating the hundred and thirty-seven, such Expences as Her Majesty may Negroes; incur in aiding the local Legislatures in providing for the Religious and Moral Education of the emancipated Negro Population; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two 2,6644. 16s. 8d. thousand six hundred and sixty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings for Agents of Emigration; and Three-pence for Salaries of the Agents for Emigration, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceed- 14,0001. for ing Fourteen thousand Pounds, to defray, in the Year One the Rideau and thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, the Charge of the Repair and Maintenance of the Rideau and Ottawa Canals in Canada; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 29,400L for the Twenty-nine thousand four hundred Pounds, to defray the British Museum; estimated Expenditure of the British Museum, for the Year ending at Lady Day One thousand eight hundred and thirtyeight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty- 59, 3001. for nine thousand three hundred Pounds, to defray, to the Thirty- Law Expences first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty- land; eight, Law Charges, Grants to Scottish Universities, and other Charges formerly paid out of the Hereditary Revenues, and not provided for out of His late Majesty's Civil List nor out of the Consolidated Fund; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 200,0007. for exceeding Two hundred thousand Pounds, towards satisfying Pensions, &c. heretofore paid such Charges, Pensions, and Annuities as would have been payable out of the Civil List in case the Demise of His late List; Majesty had not taken place before the Thirty-first Day of December One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and 21,000% for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-one thousand Pounds, to defray the Charge of repairing Marlborough House, for the Reception of the Queen Dowager; and any 88,0001 for Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eighty-eight thousand rebuilding the **Pounds, towards defraying the Expence of erecting the new** Houses of Parliament in the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceed- 18,1721. for ing Eighteen thousand one hundred and seventy-two Pounds, to Commissioners carry on, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight Records; hundred and thirty-eight, the Works in progress under the Direction of the Commissioners of Public Records, also to pay certain Arrears not provided for by the Grant of last Session; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five thousand 5,000! for the Pounds, in aid of the Funds of the Royal College of Surgeons Edinburgh; in Edinburgh ; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 9,0301. for the Nine thousand and thirty Pounds, to purchase, in the Year National One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, Pictures for the National Gallery; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 1,200% to purexceeding One thousand two hundred Pounds, to enable the chase Vases for Trustees of the British Museum to purchase certain Etruscan British Museum; Vases, Part of the Collection of the Prince of Canino; and any

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for British Subjects in Upper Canada;

142,160/. 14. .Gd. for Administration of Justice, &c. in Lower Canada;

\$7,500% for Steam Communicationto India;

223,9121. 10. 11d. to make good Grants of former Years.

There shall be applied 50,000/. for the Advancement of Education in Ireland ;

13,400l. for Foundling Hospital, Dublin ;

20.000/. for the House of Industry, &c;

150l. for the Hibernian Marine Society;

1,000l. for Female Orphan House;

2,500l. for the Westmorland Lock Hospital;

1,000% for Lying-in Hospital;

1,500l. for Dr. Stevens' Hospital ;

17,9101. 8. 1d. Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seventeen thousand nine hundred and ten Pounds Eight Shillings and One Penny, to pay Compensations to British Subjects in Upper Canada, for Losses sustained by them during the War in One thousand eight hundred and thirteen and One thousand eight hundred and fourteen, in addition to the Amount already provided from the Funds of the Colony and other Sources; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred forty-two thousand one hundred and sixty Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Sixpence, for Advances on account of Arrears of Charges for the Administration of Justice, and of the Civil Government, of the Province of Lower Canada; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirty-seven thousand five hundred Pounds, towards defraying the Expense of Steam Communication to India by way of the Red Sea, for Three Quarters of a Year, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two hundred twenty-three thousand nine hundred and twelve Pounds Ten Shillings and Elevenpence, to make good Deficiencies of Grants of former Years.

> XVI. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued and applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Fifty thousand Pounds, to enable the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to issue Money for the Advancement of Education in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Thirteen thousand four hundred Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Foundling Hospital in Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the House of Industry in Dublin, the Lunatic Department, and the Four General Hospitals attached, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One hundred and fifty Pounds, to defray the Charge of the Hibernian Marine Society in Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Female Orphan House, Circular Road, Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Two thousand five hundred Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Westmorland Lock Hospital, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Lying-in Hospital in Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand five hundred Pounds, to defray the Expence of Doctor Stevens' Hospital in Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money

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Money not exceeding Three thousand eight hundred Pounds, to 5,8001. for the defray the Expence of the Fever Hospital and House of Reco- Fever Hospital, very, Cork Street, Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One &c.; thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums 5007. Hospital of Money not exceeding Five hundred Pounds, to defray the for Incurables; Expence of the Hospital for Incurables, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and 8,928. for any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Eight thousand Roman Catholes nine hundred and twenty-eight Pounds, to defray the Charge of the Roman Catholic College in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three hundred 900% for the Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Royal Irish Academy, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three hundred Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Royal Hibernian Academy, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or 1,800%. for Sums of Money not exceeding One thousand eight hundred Royal Belfast Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Royal Belfast Academical Institution, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 5,3001. Royal exceeding Five thousand three hundred Pounds in aid of the Dublin Society. Expenditure of the Royal Dublin Society, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight.

XVII. And it is hereby also enacted, That out of all or any There shall the Aids or Supplies aforesaid there shall and may be issued and be applied applied any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven hun- of Charitable dred Pounds to defray the Salaries and Expences of the Com- Bequests; missioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding 19,6761. for Nineteen thousand six hundred and seventy-six Pounds, to the Commisdefray the Expence of repairing and maintaining the several lie Works; Public Buildings in the Department of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums 29, 5092. for of Money not exceeding Twenty-two thousand three hundred Secretaries to and two Pounds, to defray the Salaries and Expences of the nant, &c. of Offices of the Chief Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland Ireland; in Dublin and London, and Her Majesty's Privy Council Office in Ireland, and of Printing for the Public Offices in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceed- 12,3941. for ing Twelve thousand three hundred and ninety-four Pounds, to Salaries, &c. defray the Charge of the Salaries of the Officers and Attendants heretofore peid of the Household of the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and certain List; other Officers and Services formerly charged on the Civil List in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not 6,3001. for exceeding Six thousand three hundred Pounds, to defray the Paymaster of Charge of the Establishment of the Office of Paymaster of Civil Servic in Ireland ; Services Hh 2

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4,1571. for printing Proelamations and Statutes;

27,343l. for Dissenting Ministers;

60,900l. for Criminal Prosecutions;

27.000l. for the Police of Dublin ;

lic Works;

7.0001. for Townland Survey of Ireland;

5,000L for Commission on Railways in Ireland.

Supplies to be applied only for the Purposes aforesaid.

Rules to be observed in the Application of the Sum appropriated to Half Pay.

Services in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thonsand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Four thousand one hundred and fiftyseven Pounds, to defray the Expence of publishing Proclamations and printing the Statutes in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand three hundred and forty-three Pounds, to defray the Expence of Non-conforming, Seceding, and Protestant Dissenting Ministers in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Sixty-thousand nine hundred Pounds, to defray the Charge of Criminal Prosecutions and other Law Charges in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sams of Money not exceeding Twenty-seven thousand Pounds, in aid of the Funds for the Maintenance of the Police Establishment of Dublin, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand 3.5911. for Pub- eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Three thousand five hundred and ninety-one Pounds, to defray the Expence of Public Works in Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Seven thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Townland Survey of Ireland, to the Thirty-first Day of March One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight; and any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five thousand Pounds, to defray the Expence of the Commission appointed to report upon the best System of Railways in Ireland.

> XVIII. And it is hereby also enacted, That the said Aids and Supplies provided as aforesaid shall not be issued or applied to any Use, Intent, or Purpose whatsoever, other than the Uses, Intents, and Purposes before mentioned, or for the other Payments directed to be satisfied thereout by any Act or Acts, or any particular Clause or Clauses for that Purpose contained in any other Act or Acts of this Session of Parliament.

XIX. And as to the Sum of Five hundred and forty-nine thousand Pounds by this Act appropriated on account of Half Pay as aforesaid, it is hereby enacted and declared, That the Rules hereafter prescribed shall be duly observed in the Application of the said Half Pay; (that is to say,) that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same without making and subscribing a Declaration to such Purport and Effect as shall be required in that Behalf by Her Majesty's Warrants directing the Issue of the Half Pay to be received; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same who was under the Age of Sixteen Years at the Time when the Regiment, Troop, or Company in which he served was reduced; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same who did not do actual Service in some Regiment, Battalion, Troop, or Company in Her Majesty's Service, except in Cases in which the Commission was received under Circumstances which did not, according

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to the Regulations of the Army, require the Officer to serve; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same who has resigned his Commission, and has had no Commission since; that no Part of the same shall be allowed to any Person by virtue of any Warrant or Appointment, except to such Person as would have been otherwise entitled thereto as a Reduced Officer; that no Person shall have or receive any Part of the same for any Time during which he shall hold any other Military Place or Employment of Profit under Her Majesty, or in Her Majesty's Colonies or Possessions beyond the Seas, except on the Staff or in Garrison, and that in such excepted Cases, or in Cases of his holding any Military Place or Employment of Profit under another Government, no Officer shall receive any Part of his Half Pay, unless with Her Majesty's Approbation, to be signified by the Secretary at War to the Paymaster General, and the Officer claiming the Half Pay in pursuance of such Approbation shall specify in his Declaration the other Military Place or Employment of Profit on the Staff or in Garrison which he may hold or have held under Her Majesty, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government; that no Person who shall, on or before the Twenty-eighth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, have held any Civil Place or Employment of Profit under Her Majesty, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government, shall have or receive any Part of the same for any Time during which he shall hold any such Civil Place or Employment of Profit under Her Majesty, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government, except in Cases in which the same shall not exceed Three Times the Amount of the highest Rate of Half Pay attached to the Rank in virtue of which he claims to receive Half Pay, or as herein-after mentioned, nor in any such excepted Cases unless Her Majesty's special Approbation be signified as aforesaid, and the Officer claiming the Half Pay in pursuance of such Approbation shall signify in his Declaration the Civil Place or Employment of Profit which he may hold or have held as, aforesaid; but if the net annual Emoluments of such Civil Place or Employment shall exceed Three Times the Amount of Half Pay as aforesaid, and shall fall short of Four Times that Amount, then it shall be lawful for the Paymaster General, with Her Majesty's Approbation, signified by the Secretary at War as aforesaid, to issue, on or after the Twentyfourth Day of December One thousand eight hundred and thirtyseven, so much of the Half Pay claimed by any such Officer as shall, together with the net annual Emoluments of the Civil Place or Employment, be equal to Four Times the Amount of such Half Pay, and the Officer claiming the Half Pay in pursuance of such Approbation shall specify in his Declaration the Civil Place or Employment of Profit which he may have held as aforesaid, and the actual Amount of the Emoluments thereof, in such Manner and Form, and calculated up to such Period or

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Periods, as shall be required by the Secretary at War; but no Person who after the Twenty-eighth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight has been appointed to any Civil Place or Employment of Profit (except in Her Majesty's Household) under Her Majesty, or in the Colonies or Possessions of Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government, shall have or receive any Part of the same for any Time during which he shall hold any such Civil Place or Employment of Profit (except as aforesaid) under Her Majesty beyond the Seas, or under any other Government other than that of a Barrack Master under the Master General and Board of Ordnance, who shall, under the Restrictions before mentioned, be entitled to receive his Half Pay: Provided always, that nothing in this Act contained shall prevent any Person from receiving his Half Pay who shall be entitled to the same under any Act or Acts relating to the General or Local Militia, or the Yeomanry or Local Militia, or Volunteers, but that every such Person shall receive the same according to the Provisions of any such Act or Acts; and also every Surgeon, Serjeant Major, Serjeant, Corporal, and Private, serving in the General or Local Militia, or in any Corps of Yeomanry or Volunteers in Great Britain or Ireland, may and shall receive any Half Pay, together with any Pay in the General or Local Militia, or Yeomanry or Volunteers, upon making and subscribing a Declaration in any Case in which an Oath or a Declaration shall be required in and by any Act or Acts, or specified in any Warrant of Her Majesty, as the Case may be, and stating in such Declaration the Commission or Employment which he held in the General or Local Militia, the Yeomanry or Volunteers: Provided always, that from and after the First Day of January One thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight it shall be lawful for the Paymaster General to issue the Half Pay or any Portion thereof to any Officer appointed to Civil Office or Employment under Her Majesty, or under any other Government since the Twenty-eighth Day of July One thousand eight hundred and twenty-eight, if Her Majesty's Pleasure to that Effect be signified by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, through the Secretary at War, but such Permission to be granted under the Restrictions before mentioned: Provided always, that an Account shall be laid before Parliament in every Year on or before the First Day of April, if Parliament shall be then sitting, or if Parliament shall not then be sitting on the First Day of Parliament sitting after the First Day of April, of the Number of Officers who are allowed to receive their Half Pay with Civil Employments, specifying the Names of such Officers, with the respective Amount of their Half Pay and the Emoluments of their respective Civil Employments, and distinguishing in every such Account the Officers to whom such Half Pay shall have been allowed subsequent to preceding Accounts.

> XX. Provided always, and be it enacted. That it shall be lawful for the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, or any Three or more of them, for the Time being, to authorize the receiving

Not to prevent the receiving of Half Pay under any Act relating to the General åc.

Paymaster General, by Permission of the Treasury, may issue Half Pay to Officers appointed to Civil Offices since July 1828.

An Account of the Number of **Officers** so receiving Half Pay to be laid before Parliament.

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receiving Half Pay by Military Officers with Civil Employments ments to receive in any Cases in which the said Commissioners shall be of opinion Half Pay in that the Employment of such Military Officers in the Colonies certain Cases. or elsewhere, in Civil Situations of Responsibility, with small Emoluments, will be conducive to Economy, and thereby beneficial to the Public Service; and in every such Case the Officer so authorized to receive Half Pay with the Salary or Emoluments of any Civil Employment shall signify the same in his Declaration, specifying the Office, and the Authority under which he is so allowed to receive his Half Pay.

XXI. ' And whereas a considerable Part of the Money appropriated on account of Half Pay by an Act passed in the 6 Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His late Majesty • King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to apply the Sum 6&7W.4.c.98. of Four Millions out of the Consolidated Fund to the Service of the Year One thousand eight hundred and thirty-six, and to appro-6 priate the Supplies granted in this Session of Parliament, has 6 been issued without requiring, by Persons issuing or paying, 6 and without the taking by the Persons receiving Half Pay, the Oaths or Declarations prescribed to be taken by Officers 6 claiming Half Pay; and Part of the said Monies has been paid to Officers claiming and entitled to Half Pay who at the same Time held and may still hold the Situation of and serve respectively as Surgeons, Serjeant Majors, Serjeants, Corpo-• rals, or Privates in the General or Local Militia, or Yeomanry • or Volunteer Corps, in Great Britain or Ireland; and it is • expedient that all such Persons should be indemnified :' Be it therefore enacted, That all Persons concerned in the advising, Persons conauthorizing, or directing the issuing, or in the issuing of any cerned in is-Half Pay, or any Monies for Half Pay, or in the Application of and receiving any Money appropriated by the said Act for that Purpose, or Money for the in receiving or being concerned in the receiving any Portion of Payment of Half Pay, withthe Money so appropriated for such Half Pay, without requiring out the Oatha or taking the said Oaths or Declarations, or to or on account of having been any such Officers or Persons as aforesaid, shall be and are hereby taken as re-guired, indemnified, and shall be and are hereby fully exonerated nified. and discharged from all Penalties, Forfeitures, Prosecutions, or Proceedings, in respect of any thing done in relation thereto. in all Cases in which such Half Pay, or Payment for or in respect of Half Pay, shall have been or may hereafter be issued or received in conformity with the Provisions of the said recited. Act or this Act, and the Usages heretofore established and observed in relation to the issuing, paying, and receiving of Half Pay in all other respects, except so far as relates to the demanding, requiring, or taking the said Oaths or Declarations; and all such Payments and Issues of Half Pay which shall have been or may be issued to any such Person as aforesaid shall be deemed valid and effectual Payments, and the Paymaster General, and all other Persons concerned in the issuing and paying the same, shall be and are hereby fully discharged and exonerated in respect thereof in all Accounts relating to such Hh4 Issues

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Issues and Payments; any thing contained in any Act or Acts, or any Law, Rules, or Regulations, relating to the issuing and paying of Half Pay, to the contrary notwithstanding.

XXII. ' And whereas the Officers of the Royal Regiment of • Manx Fencibles engaged to serve in the said Corps upon a Stipulation contained in the Letter of Service under which they were raised, that they should be allowed to receive any Half · Pay to which they might be entitled, notwithstanding their · holding Subaltern Commissions in the said Corps; but no · Provision has been made by Parliament for Payment of such · Half Pay; and it is therefore expedient that Provision should · be now made for the Payment of the Arrears of Half Pay to ' such Officers as aforesaid :' Re it therefore enacted, That Officers who were entitled to Half Pay, and who accepted or held Subaltern Commissions in the Royal Regiment of Mans Fencibles, shall, notwithstanding their having held the Full Pay of such Commissions, be entitled to receive the Arrears of such Half Pay for any Year or Time in which they shall not have been allowed to receive the same, upon making and subscribing a Declaration before any Person hereby authorized to administer a Declaration to Persons for the Purpose of receiving Half Pay, that they had not, in any Year or Time for which such Arrear is claimed, any Office or Employment of Profit, Civil or Military, under Her Majesty, besides their Allowance of Half Pay, save and except their Pay as such Subaltern Officers of the Royal Regiment of Manx Fencibles; and the making and subscribing the said Declaration shall, without making and subscribing any other Declaration, be sufficient to entitle such Officer to receive his Half Pay.

XXIII. "And whereas Chaplains of Regiments who have ' been placed upon Half Pay have not been allowed to receive ' such Half Pay in some Years, in consequence of being in 6 possession at the Time of certain Ecclesiastical Benefices or 6 Preferments, though the same were not in the Patronage of ' the Crown: And whereas it has been judged fair and from the Crown. ' reasonable that they should be allowed to receive such Half · Pay, though in possession of Ecclesiastical Preferment, pro-' vided the same was private Patronage, and not derived from ' the Crown; and that they should also be entitled to receive • the Arrears of Half Pay for such former Years as aforesaid: Be it therefore enacted, That all Chaplains who, after having been placed upon Half Pay, shall have been refused or have been unable to receive such Half Pay in any Year, in consequence of holding any Ecclesiastical Benefice not derived from or in the Gift of the Crown, shall be entitled to receive the Arrears of such Half Pay for such Year, upon making and subscribing a Declaration before the proper Officer for administering Declarations to Persons for entitling them to receive Half Pay, that they held no Ecclesiastical Benefice or Preferment in any Year derived from the Crown, nor any Place or Employment of Profit under Her Majesty; and the making and subscribing the

Half Pay Allowances to Chaplains of Regiments not being in possession of Ecclesiastical Benefices derived

Half Pay allowed to the Officers of the Manz Fencibles.

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the said Declaration shall, without making and subscribing any other Declaration, be sufficient to entitle such Chaplain to receive his Half Pay.

XXIV. 4 And whereas by the said recited Act passed in the By 6 & 7 W.4. • Sixth and Seventh Years of the Reign of His said late Majesty c. 98. a Sum the several Supplies which have been granted to His said ated to be paid · late Majesty as therein mentioned were appropriated to the to Half Pay ' several Uses and Purposes therein expressed, amongst which Officers, the " any Sum or Sums of Money not exceeding Five hundred and which is hereby sixty-six thousand Pounds in the whole was appropriated to authorized to ' be paid on account of Half Pay for the Year One thousand be disposed of eight hundred and thirty-six, subject nevertheless to such shall direct. ⁴ Rules to be observed in the Application of the said Half Pay • as in and by the aforesaid Act were prescribed in that Behalf? Now it is hereby provided, enacted, and declared, That so much of the said Sum of Five hundred and sixty-six thousand Pounds as is or shall be more than sufficient to satisfy the said Reduced Officers, according to the Rules to be observed in the Application thereof, or any Part of such Overplus, shall and may be disposed of to such Officers who are maimed or have lost their Limbs in the late War, or such others as, by reason of their long Service, or otherwise, Her Majesty shall judge to be proper Objects of Charity, or to the Widows or Children of such Officers, according to such Warrant or Warrants, under Her Majesty's Royal Sign Manual, as shall be signed in that Behalf; any thing in this Act or the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

XXV. ' And as to the Sum of One hundred forty-eight Widows and • thousand seven hundred and twenty-eight Pounds by this Act Persons claim-· appropriated for defraying the Charge of Pensions to be paid ing Pensions to the Widows of Officers of Her Majesty's Land Forces as anal make the required Declaaforesaid, and as to the Sum of One hundred forty-six thou- ration. sand five hundred Pounds by this Act appropriated for de-' fraying the Charge of Allowances on the Compassionate, of ⁴ Allowances as of Her Majesty's Royal Bounty, and of Pensions 4 to Officers for Wounds as aforesaid,' it is hereby enacted and declared, That no Widow of an Officer of the Land Forces, and no Person claiming an Allowance on the Compassionate List, or of Allowances as of Her Majesty's Royal Bounty, shall have or receive any Part of the same without making and subscribing a Declaration to such Purport and Effect as shall be required in that Behalf by Her Majesty's Warrant directing the Issue of such Pensions and Allowances so to be received.

XXVI. And be it enacted, That every such Declaration shall Declarations and may be made and subscribed before any One or more of to be made Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace, or before the resident as specified in Minister of the Established Church in any Parish in Enclored. 5&6W.4.c.62. Minister of the Established Church in any Parish in England, Scotland, or Ireland, or before any of the Persons appointed to examine Vouchers in the Office of the Paymaster General, in the Manner, and under the Pains, Penalties, and Forfeitures specified in an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth Year of the Reign of His said late Majesty for the Abolition of unnecessary Oaths.

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An Act to exempt certain Bills of Exchange and Promissory Notes from the Operation of the Laws relating to Usury. [17th July 1837.]

• WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the

4 W. 4. c. 98.

Bills of Exchange payable at or within Twelve Months not to be liable to the Laws for the Prevention of Usury.

6 W. 4. c. 76.

Reign of His Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for giving to the Corporation of the Governor and Company ' of the Bank of England certain Privileges for a limited Period ' under certain Conditions, Bills of Exchange and Promissory ' Notes made payable at or within Three Months after the ' Date thereof, or not having more than Three Months to run, ' and certain Transactions in respect of such Bills, were exempted from the Operations of the Statutes relating to ' Usury; and it is desirable to extend such Exemptions:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That from and after the passing of this Act, and till the First of January One thousand eight hundred and forty, no Bill of Exchange or Promissory Note made payable at or within Twelve Months after the Date thereof, or not having more than Twelve Months to run, shall by reason of any Interest taken thereon or secured thereby, or any Agreement to pay or receive or allow Interest in discounting, negociating, or transferring the same, be void, nor shall the Liability of any Party to any Bill of Exchange or Promissory Note be affected, by reason of any Statute or Law in force for the Prevention of Usury; nor shall any Person or Persons or Body Corporate drawing, accepting, indorsing, or signing any such Bill or Note, or lending or advancing any Money, or taking more than the present Rate of legal Interest in Great Britain and Ireland respectively for the Loan of Money, on any such Bill or Note, be subject to any Penalties under any Statute or Law relating to Usury, or any other Penalty or Forfeiture; any thing in any Law or Statute relating to Usury, or any other Law whatsoever in force in any Part of the United Kingdom, to the contrary notwithstanding.

CAP. LXXXI.

An Act to provide for the levying of Rates in Boroughs and Towns having Municipal Corporations in England and Wales. [17th July 1837.]

• WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Sixth Year of the • Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to provide • for the Regulation of Municipal Corporations in England and • Wales, Authority was given to the Council of any Borough • in certain Cases to levy a Borough Rate, and in certain other • Cases to levy a Watch Rate, and the same Powers and • Authorities were thereby given to them for that Purpose as • by ' by Law are given to Justices of the Peace at Sessions with ' respect to a County Rate: And whereas no Authority is · thereby given to the Churchwardens or Overseers of the Poor ' of any Parish or Place, or other Persons, who may thereby • be legally ordered to pay or levy such Rate, to pay the same ' out of the Poor Rate of such respective Parishes or Places, ' or otherwise to levy the same upon the Inhabitants thereof:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That in all Cases where by Payment of the said Act or by this Act a Borough Rate or Watch Rate may be made and levied in any Borough, the Council of such Borough may order the Churchwardens and Overseers of every Parish or Place within which such Rate may be levied, or such other Persons as by Law may make a Poor Rate for any such Parish or Place within the Limits of such Borough, to pay the Amount of such Part and Portion of such Rate for which such Parish or Place respectively shall be liable out of the Poor Rate made and collected or to be made or collected for such Parish or Place; or the said Council, instead of ordering such Churchwardens and Overseers or other Persons to pay the same out of the Poor Rate, may order them to make and collect a certain Pound Rate upon and from the Occupiers or Possessors of all rateable Property within which such Parish or Place, for the Amount of the Rate for which such Parish or Place may be liable as aforesaid; and if such Churchwardens, Overseers, and other Persons, upon being so ordered to pay such Rate out of the Poor Rate, or to make and collect a Pound Rate as aforesaid, shall refuse or neglect to do so, the Amount thereof may be made and levied off the Goods of them or any of them by Distress by virtue of a Warrant in that Behalf under the Hand and Seal of the Mayor of such Borough or of any Two Justices of the Peace in and for the same; or if any Person liable to pay such Pound Rate shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, the Amount thereof may be levied upon his Goods by Distress in like Manner.

II. And be it enacted, That it shall be lawful for the Council Council of of any such Borough, at any Time within Six Calendar Months Borough emnext after the passing of this Act, to make and levy a Borough a Rate for Rate for the Purpose of defraying any Expences incurred before carrying former the passing of this Act in putting in execution the Provisions Act into execu-tion. of the said Act for regulating Corporations; and every such Rate shall be made, levied, and recovered in the Manner provided by the said Act for regulating Corporations and by this Act.

III. Provided always, and be it enacted, That in every Case Regulating the in which any Parish or Place liable to support its own Poor Collection of shall be partly within and partly without any such Borough, County Rates in and in the Case of every Extra-parochial Place wholly or partly divided Places. within any such Borough, the Council of the Borough shall appoint One or more proper Person or Persons to act as Overseer

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Overseer or Overseers within that Part of such Parish or any such Place which is within the Borough, for making, levying, and collecting any such Borough Rate or Watch Rate therein; and in every such Case of a divided Parish or Place, if the Borough is not liable to the County Rate, the Justices of the Peace having Jurisdiction over that Part of such Parish or Place which is not within the Borough shall appoint One or more proper Person or Persons to act as Overseer or Overseers within that Part of such Parish or Place which is not within the Borough, for making, levying, and collecting the County Rate therein; and the Person or Persons so respectively to be appointed shall have the like Powers vested in him or them, and shall be subject to the same Regulations and Penalties, for levying and collecting any such Borough Rate, Watch Rate, or County Rate within that Part of such Parish or Place for which he or they is or are appointed, as if he or they was or were appointed Overseer or Overseers of the Poor under any Law or Laws now or hereafter to be in force.

CAP. LXXXII.

An Act to amend the Law relating to Grand Juries in *Ireland*, so far as to empower the Grand Jury of the County of *Fermanogh* to reconstruct the Baronial Subdivisions of the said County.

[17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Sixth and Seventh Year of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to the Presentment of Public Money by Grand Juries in Ireland, a Power was given to the Grand 4 Jury of any County in Ireland to divide any Barony or Half Barony into One or more Subdivisions for the Purpose of that · Act, provided such Barony or Half Barony did contain Forty-· five thousand Acres, and to unite any Two Baronies or Por-* tions of Baronies, provided the Baronies or Portions so united did not contain more than Forty thousand Acres: And • whereas, by reason of the County of Fermunagh being divided ' in its entire Length by the Waters of Lough Erne, the Baro-' nies are divided and intersected by the said Lough, to the great Inconvenience of the Inhabitants as regards the Applot-• ment, Levy, and Expenditure of the Public Money, and the • holding of Special Sessions under the above-named Act; and • it is therefore expedient that the Grand Jury of the said • County of *Fermanagh* be empowered to alter the Baronial • Divisions thereof:' Be it enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That it shall and may be lawful for the Grand Jury of the County of Fermanagh, by Presentment, to divide any Barony or Half Barony thereof into One or more Subdivisions, each whereof shall, for all Purposes relating to the presenting, raising, and levving

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levying of Money for any Matter or Thing for which Presentment may be lawfully made by Grand Juries, be deemed and taken to be a Barony or Half Barony, as such Grand Jury shall present the same; and it shall be lawful for the Grand Jury of the County of Fermanagh to unite any Two Baronies, or any Barony or any Portion of any Barony or Baronies, into One, for the Purposes of this Act, and for all Purposes relating to the presenting, raising, and levying of Money for any Matter or Thing for which Presentment may be lawfully made by Grand Juries in Ireland.

II. And be it further enacted, That the Grand Jury of the Power to fix County of Fermanagh shall have Power and Authority to fix the the Time when Time from and after which the said Division into Baronies or divisions shall Half Baronies shall take effect, and are hereby required to take effect. nominate Committees of Appeal for such intended Baronies or Half Baronies, pursuant to the Act passed in the Sixth and Seventh Year of King William the Fourth, intituled An Act to 6&7W.4.c.84. consolidate and amend the several Acts for the uniform Valuation of Lands and Tenements in Ireland, and to incorporate certain detached Portions of Counties and Baronies with those Counties and Baronies respectively whereto the same may adjoin or wherein the same are locally situate, as if the same were actually Baronies or Half Baronies at the Time of making the said Presentments.

III. And be it further enacted, That this Act may be Act may be amended, altered, or repealed by any Act or Acts to be passed amended. in this present Session of Parliament.

CAP. LXXXIII.

An Act to compel Clerks of the Peace for Counties and other Persons to take the Custody of such Documents as shall be directed to be deposited with them under the Standing Orders of either House of Parliament.

[17th July 1837.]

M7 HEREAS the Houses of Parliament are in the habit of requiring that, previous to the Introduction of any · Bill into Parliament for making certain Bridges, Turnpike Roads, Cuts, Canals, Reservoirs, Aqueducts, Waterworks,
Navigations, Tunnels, Archways, Railways, Piers, Ports, Har-' bours, Ferries, Docks, and other Works, to be made under ' the Authority of Parliament, certain Maps or Plans and Sec-' tions, and Books and Writings, or Extracts or Copies of or ⁶ from certain Maps, Plans, or Sections, Books and Writings, • shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Peace for every County, Riding, or Division in England or Ireland, or in ' the Office of the Sheriff Clerk of every County in Scotland, in ' which such Work is proposed to be made, and also with the · Parish Clerk of every Parish in England, the Schoolmaster ' of every Parish of Scotland, or in Royal Burghs with the ' Town Clerk, and the Postmaster of the Post Town in or enearest to every Parish in Ireland, in which such Work is intended

Intended to be made, and with other Persons: And whereas it is expedient that such Maps, Plans, Sections, Books, Writings, and Copies or Extracts of and from the same, should be ' received by the said Clerks of the Peace, Sheriff Clerks, Parish Clerks, Schoolmasters, Town Clerks, Postmasters, and other Persons, and should remain in their Custody for the Purposes herein-after mentioned:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That whenever either of the Houses of Parliament shall by its Standing Orders, already made or hereafter to be made, require that any such Maps, Plans, Sections, Books, or Writings, or Extracts or Copies of the same, or any of them, shall be deposited as aforesaid, such Maps, Plans, Sections, Books, Writings, Copies, and Extracts shall be received by and shall remain with the Clerks of the Peace, Sheriff Clerks, Parish Clerks, Schoolmasters, Town Clerks, Postmasters, and other Persons with whom the same shall be directed by such Standing Orders to be deposited, and they are hereby respectively directed to receive and to retain the Custody of all such Documents and Writings so directed to be deposited with them respectively, in the Manner, and for the Purposes, and under the Rules and Regulations concerning the same respectively directed by such Standing Orders, and shall make such Memorials and Endorsements on and give such Acknowledgments and Receipts in respect of the same respectively as shall be thereby directed.

II. And be it further enacted, That all Persons interested shall have Liberty to, and the said Clerks of the Peace, Sheriff Clerks, Parish Clerks, Schoolmasters, Town Clerks, and Postmasters, and every of them, are and is hereby required, at all reasonable Hours of the Day, to permit all Persons interested to inspect during a reasonable Time and make Extracts from or Copies of the said Maps, Plans, Sections, Books, Writings, Extracts and Copies of or from the same, so deposited with them respectively, on Payment by each Person to the Clerk of the Peace, Sheriff Clerk, Clerk of the Parish, Schoolmaster, Town Clerk, or Postmaster having the Custody of any such Map, Plan, Section, Book, Writing, Extract, or Copy, One Shilling for every such Inspection, and the further Sum of One Shilling for every Hour during which such Inspection shall continue after the first Hour, and after the Rate of Sixpence for every One hundred Words copied therefrom.

III. And be it further enacted, That in case any Clerk of the Peace, Sheriff Clerk, Parish Clerk, Schoolmaster, Town Clerk, Postmaster, or other Person shall in any Matter or Thing refuse or neglect to comply with any of the Provisions herein-before contained, every Clerk of the Peace, Sheriff Clerk, Parish Clerk, Schoolmaster, Town Clerk, Postmaster, or other Person shall for every such Offence forfeit and pay any Sum not exceeding the Sum of Five Pounds; and every such Penalty shall, upon Proof of the Offence before any Justice of the Peace for the County

Clerks of the Peace, &c. to receive the Documents herein mentioned, and retain them for the Purposes directed by the Standing Orders of the Houses of Parliament.

Clerks of the Peace, &c. to permit such Documents to be inspected or copied by Persons interested.

Clerks of the Peace, &c. for every Omission to comply with the Provisions of this Act, liable to the Penalty of *5l.* to be recovered in a summary Way.

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County within which such Offence shall be committed, or by the Confession of the Party offending, or by the Oath of any credible Witness, be levied and recovered, together with the Costs of the Proceedings for the Recovery thereof, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Effects of the Party offending, by Warrant under the Hand of such Justice, which Warrant such Justice is hereby empowered to grant, and shall be paid to the Person or Persons making such Complaint; and it shall be lawful for any such Justice of the Peace to whom any Complaint shall be made of any Offence committed against this Act to summon the Party complained of before him, and on such Summons to hear and determine the Matter of such Complaint in a summary Way, and on Proof of the Offence to convict the Offender, and to adjudge him to pay the Penalty or Forfeiture incurred, and to proceed to recover the same, although no Information in Writing or in Print shall have been exhibited or taken by or before such Justice; and all such Proceedings by Summons without Information shall be as good, valid, and effectual to all Intents and Purposes as if an Information in Writing had been exhibited.

CAP. LXXXIV.

An Act to abolish the Punishment of Death in Cases of Forgery. [17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the First Year of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act for reducing into 1 W. 4. c. 66. " One Act all such Forgeries as shall henceforth be punished with Death, and for otherwise amending the Laws relative to Forgery, • it was amongst other things enacted, that if any Person should forge or alter, or should offer, utter, dispose of, or · put off, knowing the same to be forged or altered, any Will, Testament, Codicil, or Testamentary Writing, with · Intent in any of the Cases aforesaid to defraud any Person · whatsoever, every such Offender should be guilty of Felony, • and being convicted thereof should suffer Death as a Felon; • and it was by the said Act further enacted, that if any Per-• son should forge or alter, or should utter knowing the same ' to be forged or altered, any Power of Attorney or other · Authority to transfer any Share or Interest of or in any · Stock, Annuity, or other Public Fund which then was or ' thereafter might be transferrable at the Bank of England or • at the South Sea House, or of or in the Capital Stock of any · Body Corporate, Company, or Society which then was or · thereafter might be established by Charter or Act of Par-.4 liament, or to receive any Dividend payable in respect of any such Share or Interest, with Intent in any of the several · Cases aforesaid to defraud any Person whatsoever, every such · Offender should be guilty of Felony, and being convicted ' thereof should suffer Death as a Felon; and it was by the said Act further enacted, that in the Case of every Felony punishable under that Act every Principal in the Second Degree,

' Degree, and every Accessary before the Fact, should be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree was by that Act punishable: And whereas by an Act passed in the Second and Third 2& 3W.4. c. 59. 4 Years of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act to transfer ' the Management of certain Annuities on Lives from the Receipt ' of His Majesty's Exchequer to the Management of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and to amend an Act for enabling the said Commissioners to grant Life Annuities, 6 and Annuities for Terms of Years, it was amongst other things enacted, that if any Person should forge, counterfeit, or alter, or should cause or procure to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, or should knowingly or wilfully act or assist in the 6 forging, counterfeiting, or altering, any Declaration, Warrant, · Order, or other Instrument, or any Affidavit or Affirmation required to be made by that Act, or by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt under any of the Provisions of that Act, or under any Authority given to them for that Purpose; or should forge, counterfeit, or alter, or 6 should cause or procure to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, · or should knowingly or wilfully act or assist in the forging, ' counterfeiting, or altering, any Certificate or Order of any Officer of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National • Debt, or the Name or Names of any Person or Persons in or • to any Transfer of any Annuity, or in or to any Certificate, . ' Order, Warrant, or other Instrument for the Payment of • Money for the Purchase of any Annuity under the Provisions · of that Act, or in or to any Transfer or Acceptance of any such Annuity in the Books of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, or in or to any Receipt or Discharge for any such Annuity, or in or to any Receipt or 6 Discharge for any Payment or Payments due or to become 6 due thereon, or in or to any Letter of Attorney or other 6 Authority or Instrument to authorize or purporting to autho-6 rize the Transfer or Acceptance of any Annuities or any Life Annuity of whatsoever Kind, or authorizing or purporting to · authorize the Receipt of any Life Annuity of whatsoever ⁴ Kind, granted under any of the Acts therein recited or that Act, or any Payment or Payments due or to become due 6 ' thereon; or if any Person should wilfully, falsely, and deceitfully personate any true and real Nominee or Nominees, or should wilfully utter, or deliver or produce to any Person 6 or Persons acting under the Authority of that Act, any forged · Register or Copy of Register of any Birth, Baptism, or Marriage, or any forged Declaration, Affidavit, or Affirmation, · knowing the same to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, ' with Intent to defraud His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, or with Intent to defraud any Person or Persons whom-6 soever; then and in every such Case all and every Person · or Persons so offending, and being lawfully convicted thereof, should be adjudged guilty of Felony, and suffer Death: And • whereas by another Act passed in the said last-mentioned Years

"Years of His late Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act for 2 & 3 W. 4. ⁶ abolishing the Punishment of Death in certain Cases of Forgery, ^{c. 123.} • it was amongst other things enacted, that notwithstanding any thing therein-before contained that Act should not be · construed to affect or alter the said recited Act of the First ' Year of His late Majesty, or any other Act or Law then ' in force, so far as the same might authorize the Punishment • of Death to be inflicted upon any Person convicted either ' in England, Scotland, or Ireland of forging or altering, or of • offering, uttering, or disposing of, knowing the same to be • forged or altered, any Will, Testament, Codicil, or Testa-' mentary Writing, with Intent to defraud any Body Corporate • or Person whatsoever, or of forging or altering, or of uttering Knowing the same to be forged or altered, any Power of Attorney or other Authority to transfer any Share or Interest • of or in any Stock, Annuity, or other Public Fund which • then was or thereafter might be transferrable at the Bank of England or South Sea House, or at the Bank of Ireland, or to • receive any Dividend payable in respect of any such Share or Interest, with Intent to defraud any Body Corporate or · Person whatsoever, or of procuring, aiding, or assisting in the Commission of any of the said Offences, but that the Punish-• ment for each and every of the said Offences, and for the • procuring, aiding, or assisting in the Commission thereof, • should continue to be the same as if the Act now in recital * had not been passed: And whereas by another Act passed • in the said Second and Third Years of His late Majesty's • Reign, intituled An Act for enabling His Majesty to direct the 2 & 3 W. 4. . Issue of Exchequer Bills to a limited Amount for the Purposes a. 125. s and in the Manner therein mentioned, and for giving Relief to • Trinidad, British Guiana, and Saint Lucie, it was amongst • other things enacted, that if any Person or Persons should · forge, counterfeit, or alter, or cause or procure to be forged, counterfeited, or altered, or knowingly or wilfully act or assist • in the forging, counterfeiting, or altering, any Certificate or · Certificates of the Commissioners by the said Act now in · recital appointed as therein mentioned, or any of them, or any Receipt or Receipts to be given by the Cashier or · Cashiers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of Eng-· land in pursuance of that Act, or should wilfully deliver to the · Auditor of the Receipt of His Majesty's Exchequer for the • Time being, or to any Officer appointed by him, or to the said Commissioners by that Act appointed, or any of them, or to any Officer or Officers appointed by them or any of them, in the Execution of the Powers of that Act, or should ⁴ utter, any such forged, counterfeited, or altered Certificate of · Certificates, Receipt or Receipts, knowing the same to be · forged, counterfeited, or altered, with Intent to defraud His · Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, or any Body or Bodies · Politic or Corporate, or any Person whomsoever, then and in every such Case all and every Person or Persons so offend-' ing, and being thereof lawfully convicted, should be adjudged [No.32. Price 2d.] I i 'guilty

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guilty of Felony, and should suffer Death as in Cases of · Felony: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifth and Sixth 5&6W.4. c.45. 4 Years of the Reign of His late Majesty, intituled An Act to ' carry into further Execution the Provisions of an Act passed in ' the Third and Fourth Years of His present Majesty, for com-' pensating Owners of Slaves upon the Abolition of Slavery, it was amongst other things enacted, that if any Person or Persons " should forge or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be forged • or counterfeited, or should willingly act or assist in the forging ' or counterfeiting, any Receipt or Receipts for the Whole of ' or any Part or Parts of the Contributions towards the Sum of • Fifteen Millions, in the said Act now in recital mentioned ' to be Part of a Sum of Twenty Millions authorized to be ' raised by the said Act of the Third and Fourth Years of His 4 late Majesty's Reign, either with or without the Name or ' Names of any Person or Persons being inserted therein as ' the Contributor or Contributors thereto, Payer or Payers ' thereof, or of any Part or Parts thereof, or any Certificate or other Instrument to be issued by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, or should alter any Number, "Figure, or Word therein, or utter or publish as true any such ' false, forged, counterfeited, or altered Receipt or Receipts, · Certificate or Certificates. Instrument or Instruments, with · Intent to defraud the Governor and Company of the Bank ' of England, or the Commissioners for the Reduction of the ' National Debt, or any Body Politic or Corporate, or any · Person or Persons whatsoever, every such Person or Persons 6 so forging or counterfeiting, or causing or procuring to be forged or counterfeited, or willingly acting or assisting in the 6 6 forging or counterfeiting, or altering, uttering, or publishing as aforesaid, being thereof convicted in due Form of Law, should be adjudged guilty of Felony, and should suffer Death as a Felon, without Benefit of Clergy: And whereas by ' another Act passed in the said Fifth and Sixth Years of His 5&6W.4. c.51. ' late Majesty's Reign, intituled An Act for granting Belief to ' the Island of Dominica, and to amend an Act of the Second and . Third Years of His present Majesty, for enabling His Majesty to ' direct the Issue of Exchequer Bills to a limited Amount for the · Purposes therein mentioned, it was amongst other things enacted, • that all and every the several Clauses, Powers, Provisions, · Enactments, Penalties, and Restrictions in the said herein-· before recited and lastly herein-before mentioned Act of the Second and Third Years of His late Majesty contained, so far ' as the same could be made applicable and were not varied by ' the said Act now in recital, should be taken to extend to that Act, and to every thing to be done in pursuance of that · Act, and as if all such Clauses, Powers, Provisions, and Enact-" ments were therein repeated and made applicable to the said • Island of *Dominica*, and to the Loans and Grants to be made ' in pursuance of the said Act now in recital, and to every ⁶ Matter and Thing to be done in pursuance of that Act: And whereas the said lastly herein-before mentioned Act of • the

• the Second and Third Years of His late Majesty (so far as the same is herein-before recited) is applicable to and in nowise ' varied by the said lastly herein-before recited Act: And " whereas it is expedient that none of the herein-before men-' tioned Offences should henceforth be punishable with Death :' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if any Person shall after Persons conthe Commencement of this Act be convicted of any of the victed of any of Offences herein-before mentioned, such Person shall not suffer the Offences herein-before mentioned, such Person shall not suffer the Offences Death, or have Sentence of Death awarded against him or her mentioned to for the same, but shall be liable, at the Discretion of the beliable to be Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for Life, or for any transported. Term not less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years nor less than Two Years.

II. And whereas by the said recited Act of the Second So much of and Third Years of His late Majesty's Reign, for abolishing 2&3 W.4. • the Punishment of Death in certain Cases of Forgery, Per- 3 & 4 W. 4. ⁶ sons convicted of the Forgeries and other Offences connected c. 51. s. 27., and ⁶ therewith therein respectively referred to are liable to be 3&4 W.4. ⁶ transported beyond the Seas for Life: And whereas by an Act to the Punishpassed in the Third and Fourth Years of the same Reign, ment of certain ' intituled An Act for the Management of the Customs, it was Offences, reamongst other things enacted, that if any Person or Persons Offences to be should knowingly and wilfully forge or counterfeit, or cause punished by • or procure to be forged or counterfeited, or knowingly and wilfully act or assist in forging or counterfeiting, the Name Years. ' or Handwriting of any Receiver General of the Customs, or ' of any Comptroller General of the Customs, or of any Person acting for them respectively as aforesaid, to any Draft, Instru-' ment, or Writing whatsoever, for or in order to the receiving ' or obtaining any of the Money in the Hands or Custody of ' the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, on account of the Receiver General of the Customs; or should · forge or counterfeit, or cause or procure to be forged or counterfeited, or knowingly and wilfully act or assist in the forging "or counterfeiting, any Draft, Instrument, or Writing in Form of a Draft made by such Receiver General or Person as ' aforesaid, or should utter or publish any such, knowing the same to be forged or counterfeited, with an Intention to defraud any Person whomsoever; every such Person or Persons ' so offending, being thereof lawfully convicted, should be and " was and were thereby declared and adjudged to be guilty • of Felony, and should be transported beyond the Seas for · Life: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of " the same Reign, intituled An Act to repeal so much of Two * Acts of the Seventh and Eighth Years and Ninth Year of King George the Fourth as inflicts the Punishment of Death upon " Persons breaking, entering, and stealing in a Dwelling House; also for giving Power to the Judges to add to the Punishment of Transportation for Life in certain Cases of Forgery, and in I i 2 ccrtain

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· certain other Cases, Persons punishable by Transportation for Life under the said recited Act of the Second and Third "Years of His late Majesty's Reign, for abolishing the Punish-' ment of Death in certain Cases of Forgery, are liable, pre-' viously to their being transported, in case the Court before ' whom such Persons shall be convicted shall think fit, to be ' imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, in the Common · Gaol or House of Correction, or to be confined in the Peni-' tentiary, for any Term not exceeding Four Years nor less ' than One Year: And whereas it is expedient to repeal the ' said Three lastly herein-before in part recited Acts, so far as • relates to the Punishment of Persons liable to be transported ' for Life, in order that a more discretionary Punishment may ' be substituted for the same;' be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said Three lastly herein-before in part recited Acts as relates to the Punishment of Persons convicted of Offences for which they are liable under the said Act of the Second and Third Years or the said Act of the Third and Fourth Years respectively of His late Majesty's Reign to be transported for Life shall, from and after the Commencement of this Act, be and the same is hereby repealed; and that from and after the passing of this Act every Person convicted of any of such Offences shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Person, or for any Term not less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years nor less than Two Years.

III. And be it enacted, That when any Person shall be convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act for which Imprisonment may be awarded it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

IV. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

V. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

Persons convicted of Offences punishable by Imprisonment may be kept to hard Labour and to solitary Confinement.

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An Act to amend the Laws relating to Offences against the Person. [17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend so much of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the Reign of King George • the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending 9 G. 4. c. S1. • the Statutes in England relative to Offences against the Person, and also so much of an Act passed in the Tenth Year of the same Reign, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending 10 G. 4. c. 34. • the Statutes in Ireland relating to Offences against the Person, • as relates to any Person who shall unlawfully and maliciously ' administer or attempt to administer to any Person, or who ' shall cause to be taken by any Person, any Poison or other destructive Thing, or who shall unlawfully and maliciously ' attempt to drown, suffocate, or strangle any Person, or who • shall counsel, aid, or abet therein; and so much of the same · Acts or either of them as relates to any Person who shall • unlawfully and maliciously shoot at any Person, or who shall, ⁶ by drawing a Trigger or in any other Manner, attempt to ' discharge any Kind of loaded Arms at any Person, or who ' shall unlawfully and maliciously stab, cut, or wound any · Person, or who shall unlawfully and maliciously throw or • cast at or upon or otherwise apply to any Person any corrosive • or noxious Liquid or Substance, with any of the Intents in • the same Acts mentioned, or who shall counsel, aid, or abet ' therein; and so much of the same Acts as relates to any ' Person who shall use any of the Ways or Means therein ' mentioned with Intent to procure the Miscarriage of any • Woman, or who shall counsel, aid, or abet therein; and so • much of the same Acts as relates to the Punishment of Accessaries after the Fact to such of the Felonies punishable ' under those Acts as are herein-before referred to:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Outset of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Chink of the second of the Lord Spintau and and by the Authority of the the That so much of the said Repeal of cer-Acts as is herein-best referred to shall continue in force until tain Provisions and throughout the Thinkieth Day, of September One thousand of recited Acts. eight hundred and thirty-seven, and shall from and after that Day be repealed, except as to Offences committed before or upon the said Thirtieth Day of September, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed.

II. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall administer to Punishment for or cause to be taken by any Person any Poison or other de- administering structive Thing, or shall stab, cut, or wound any Person, or Poison or doing shall by any Means whatsoaver course to any Person, or other bodily shall by any Means whatsoever cause to any Person any bodily Injury with Injury dangerous to Life, with Intent in any of the Cases Intent to comaforesaid to commit Murder, shall be guilty of Felony, and mit Murder. being convicted thereof shall suffer Death.

. III. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall attempt to Punishment for administer to any Person any Poison or other destructive Thing, Offences with I i 3 or

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mit Murder though no bodily Injury effected. Cap. 85.

Punishment for cutting and maining with Intent to disfigure.

Punishment for sending explosive Substances or throwing destructive Matter with Intent to do bodily Harm.

Punishment for trying to procure Abortion.

Punishment of Accessaries.

or shall shoot at any Person, or shall, by drawing a Trigger or in any other Manner attempt to discharge any Kind of loaded Arms at any Person, or shall attempt to drown, suffocate, or strangle any Person, with Intent in any of the Cases aforesaid to commit the Crime of Murder, shall, although no bodily Injury shall be effected, be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IV. And be it enacted, That whosoever unlawfully and maliciously shall shoot at any Person, or shall, by drawing a Trigger or in any other Manner, attempt to discharge any Kind of loaded Arms at any Person, or shall stab, cut, or wound any Person, with Intent in any of the Cases aforesaid to maim, disfigure, or disable such Person, or to do some other grievous bodily Harm to such Person, or with Intent to resist or prevent the lawful Apprehension or Detainer of any Person, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

V. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously send or deliver to or cause to be taken or received by any Person any explosive Substance, or any other dangerous or noxious Thing, or shall cast or throw upon or otherwise apply to any Person any corrosive Fluid or other destructive Matter, with Intent in any of the Cases aforesaid to burn, maim, disfigure, or disable any Person, or to do some other grievous bodily Harm to any Person, and whereby in any of the Cases aforesaid any Person shall be burnt, maimed, disfigured, or disabled, or receive some other grievous bodily Harm, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VI. And be it enacted, That whosoever, with Intent to procure the Miscarriage of any Woman, shall unlawfully administer to her or cause to be taken by her any Poison or other noxious Thing, or shall unlawfully use any Instrument or other Means whatsoever with the like Intent, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VII. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony punishable under this Act every Principal in the Second Degree, and every Accessary before the Fact, shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal 1837.

in the First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

VIII. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be Offences convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act for which punishable by Imprisonment may be awarded it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or to be imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

IX. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act con- Not to affect tained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal Powers of of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in c. S8. and an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the 4 G. 4. c. 64. Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales. X. And be it enacted, That where any Felony punishable Offences com-

under this Act shall be committed within the Jurisdiction of mitted within the Admiralty of England or of Ireland, the same shall be dealt the Jurisdiction with, inquired of, tried, and determined in the same Manner ralty. as any other Felony committed within that Jurisdiction.

XI. And be it enacted, That on the Trial of any Person Court emfor any of the Offences herein-before mentioned, or for any powered to im-Felony whatever, where the Crime charged shall include an prison for Three Accounts arrived the Bernan, it shall be lawful for the Lury to Years in certain Assault against the Person, it shall be lawful for the Jury to Cases. acquit of the Felony, and to find a Verdict of Guilty of Assault against the Person indicted, if the Evidence shall warrant such Finding; and when such Verdict shall be found, the Court shall have Power to imprison the Person so found guilty of an Assault for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

XIL Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in Not to extend this Act contained shall extend to Scotland.

XIII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and Commencement take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

Imprisonment.

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CAP. LXXXVI.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to Burglary and Stealing in a Dwelling House. [17th July 1837.] WHEREAS it is expedient to amend so much of an Act passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign 788 G. 4. c. 29. ' of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in England relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith, and also so much of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the same Reign, intituled As Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in Ireland relative ' to Larceny and other Offences connected thermoith, as relates to ' the Punishment of any Person convicted of Burglary, and ' so much of the same Acts as relates to any Person who ' shall steal any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security, to any ' Value whatever, in any Dwelling House, any Person therein ' being put in fear, and so much of the same Acts as relates ' to the Punishment of Principals in the Second Degree, and · of Accessaries before and after the Fact respectively to such • of the Felonies punishable under those Acts as are berein-' before referred to:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said Acts as is herein-before referred to shall continue in force until and throughout the Thirtieth Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and shall from and after that Day be repealed, except as to Offences committed before or upon the said Thirtieth Day of September, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed.

II. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall burglariously break and enter into any Dwelling House, and shall assault with Intent to murder any Person being therein, or shall stab, cut, wound, beat, or strike any such Person, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death.

III. And be it enacted, That whoseever shall be convicted of the Crime of Burglary shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That, so far as the same is essential to the Offence of Burglary, the Night shall be considered and is hereby declared to commence at Nine of the Clock in the Evening of each Day, and to conclude at Six of the Clock in the Morning of the next succeeding Day.

V. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall steal any Property in any Dwelling House, and shall by any Menace or Threat put any one being therein in bodily Fear, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable to be transported

Recited Acts in part repealed after S0th Sept. 1837, except as to Offences on or before that Day.

Burglars using Violence to suffer Death.

Punishment of Burglary.

Between what Hours the breaking into a House is to be considered as Burglary.

Stealing in a Dwelling House with Menace or Threat,

9 G. 4. c. 55.

transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VI. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony Punishment of punishable under this Act every Principal in the Second Degree Accessaries. and every Accessary before the Fact shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act (except only a Receiver of stolen Property) shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

VII. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall Offences be convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act for Imprisonment. which Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned or to be imprisoned and kept to hard Labour in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

VIII. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act Not to affect contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Powers of 5 & 6 W. 4. Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations con- c. 38. and tained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years 4 G. 4. c. 64. of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating

of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales. IX. And be it enacted, That the Word "Property" shall Construction throughout this Act be deemed to denote every Thing included of the Word "Property." under the Words "Chattel, Money, or valuable Security" used in the said Acts of the Seventh and Eighth Years and Ninth Year respectively of King George the Fourth.

X. And be it enacted, That where any Felony punishable Offences comunder this Act shall be committed within the Jurisdiction of mitted within Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of England or of Ireland, the same shall be dealt Admiralty. with, inquired of, tried, and determined in the same Manner as any other Felony committed within that Jurisdiction.

XI. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Not to extend Act contained shall extend to Scotland.

XII. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and Commence take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight ment of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

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Stealing from the Person.

[17th July 1837.]

CAP. LXXXVII. An Act to amend the Laws relating to Robbery and

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WHEREAS it is expedient to amend so much of an Act passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in England relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith, and also so much of an Act passed in the Ninth Year of the same Reign, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in Ireland relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith, as relates to any Person who shall rob any other Person of any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security, or who shall steal any such Property from the Person of another, or shall assault any other ' Person with Intent to rob him, or shall with Menaces or by ' Force demand any such Property of any other Person with ' Intent to steal the same; and so much of the same Acts as ' relates to any Person who shall accuse or threaten to accuse ' any other Person of any infamous Crime with a View or ' Intent to extort or gain from him, and who shall by intimidating him by such Accusation or Threat extort or gain ' from him, any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security; and so ' much of the same Acts as relates to any Person who shall plunder or steal any Part of any Ship or Vessel which shall ' be in Distress, or wrecked, stranded, or cast on Shore, or ' any Goods, Merchandize, or Articles of any Kind belong-' ing to such Ship or Vessel; and so much of the same Acts ' as relates to the Punishment of Principals in the Second · Degree and of Accessaries before and after the Fact respectively to such of the Felonies punishable under those Acts as ' are herein-before referred to:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said Acts as is herein-before referred to shall continue in force until and throughout the Thirtieth Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and shall from and after that Day be repealed, except as to Offences committed before or upon the said Thirtieth Day of September, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed.

II. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall rob any Person. and at the Time of or immediately before or immediately after such Robbery shall stab, cut, or wound any Person, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death.

III. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall, being armed with any offensive Weapon or Instrument, rob or assault with Intent to rob any Person, or shall, together with One or more Person or Persons, rob or assault with Intent to rob

Repeal of Provisions in recited Acts.

Punishment of Robbery attended with cutting, &c.

Punishment of Robberv attended with Violence.

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any Person, or shall rob any Person, and at the Time of or immediately before or immediately after such Robbery shall beat, strike, or use any other personal Violence to any Person shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IV. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall accuse or Punishment threaten to accuse any Person of the abominable Crime of Property Buggery committed either with Mankind or with Beast, or of by Threat of any Assault with Intent to commit the said abominable Crime, accusing of or of any Attempt or Endeavour to commit the said abominable Orinie, unnatural Crimes. Crime, or of making or offering any Solicitation, Persuasion, Promise, or Threat to any Person whereby to move or induce such Person to commit or permit the said abominable Crime, with a View or Intent in any of the Cases aforesaid to extort or gain from such Person, and shall by intimidating such Person by such Accusation or Threat extort or gain from such Person any Property, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of his or her natural Life, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

V. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall rob any Person, Punishment of or shall steal any Propetry from the Person of another, shall be stealing from liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VI. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall assault any Punishment for Person with Intent to rob shall be guilty of Felony, and being Assault with Intent to rob. convicted thereof shall (save and except in the Cases where a greater Punishment is provided by this Act) be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VII. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall, with Menaces Punishment for or by Force, demand any Property of any Person with Intent attempting to obtain Property to steal the same, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted by Menace. thereof shall be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VIII. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall plunder or Punishment for steal any Part of any Ship or Vessel which shall be in Distress, or wrecked, stranded, or cast on Shore, or any Goods, Merchandize, or Articles of any Kind belonging to such Ship or Vessel, and be convicted thereof, shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IX. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony Punishment of punishable under this Act every Principal in the Second Degree Accessaries. and every Accessary before the Fact shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First

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First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act (except only a Receiver of stolen Property) shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two

X. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act for which Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or to be imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

XI. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, initialed An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, initialed An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

XII. And be it enacted, That the Word "Property" shall throughout this Act be deemed to denote every Thing included under the Words "Chattel, Money, or valuable Security" used in the said Acts of the Seventh and Eighth Years and Ninth Year respectively of King *George* the Fourth.

XIII. And be it enacted, That where any Felony punishable under this Act shall be committed within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of *England* or of *Ireland*, the same shall be dealt with, inquired of, tried, and determined in the same Manner as any other Felony committed within that Jurisdiction.

XIV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall extend to Scotland.

XV. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

CAP. LXXXVIII.

An Act to amend certain Acts relating to the Crime of Piracy. [17th July 1837.]

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend so much of an Act passed in the Twenty-eighth Year of the Reign of King

• Henry the Eighth, intituled For Pirates, and so much of an • Act passed in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of • King

Not to affect Powers of 5 & 6 W. 4. c. 38. and 4 G. 4. c. 64.

Construction of the Word " Property."

Offences committed within the Admiralty Jurisdiction.

Not to extend to Scotland.

Commencement of Act.

28 H. 8. c. 15.

Offences

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Imprisonment.

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King William the Third, intituled An Act for the more effectual 11 & 12 W. 3. Suppression of Piracy, and so much of an Act passed in the c.7.

' Fourth Year of the Reign of King George the First, intituled

An Act for the further preventing Robbery, Burglary, and other 4 G. 1. c. 11.

⁴ Felonies, and for the more effectual Transportation of Felons and ¹.⁷.

' unlawful Exporters of Wool, and for declaring the Law upon some

· Points relating to Pirates, and so much of an Act passed in the

· Eighth Year of the same Reign, intituled An Act for the more 8 G. 1. c. 24.

" effectual suppressing of Piracy, and so much of an Act passed in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of King George the

Second, intituled An Act to amend an Act made in the Eleventh 18 G. 2. c. 30. ' Year of the Reign of King William the Third, intituled 'An " Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy,' as relates to ' the Punishment of the Crime of Piracy, or of any Offence by any of the said Acts declared to be Piracy, or of Accessaries thereto respectively:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said several Acts as is herein-before Repeal of referred to shall from and after the Commencement of this Act Provisions in recited Acts. be and the same is hereby repealed.

II. And be it enacted, That from and after the Commence- Punishment of ment of this Act whosoever, with Intent to commit or at the Piracy when Murder is Time of or immediately before or immediately after committing attempted. the Crime of Piracy in respect of any Ship or Vessel, shall assault, with Intent to murder, any Person being on board of or belonging to such Ship or Vessel, or shall stab, cut, or wound any such Person, or unlawfully do any Act by which the Life of such Person may be endangered, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death as a Felon.

III. And be it enacted, That from and after the Commence- Persons guilty ment of this Act whosoever shall be convicted of any Offence of Piracy to be transported. which by any of the Acts herein-before referred to amounts to the Crime of Piracy, and is thereby made punishable with Death, shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years. IV. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony Punishment of

punishable under this Act every Principal in the Second Degree and every Accessary before the Fact shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

V. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be con-Offences victed of any Offence punishable under this Act for which punishable by Imprisonment may be awayded it shall be lawful for the Court Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction.

Accessaries.

First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act (except only a Receiver of stolen Property) shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

X. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act for which Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or to be imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

XI. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

XII. And be it enacted, That the Word "Property" shall throughout this Act be deemed to denote every Thing included under the Words "Chattel, Money, or valuable Security" used in the said Acts of the Seventh and Eighth Years and Ninth Year respectively of King *George* the Fourth.

XIII. And be it enacted, That where any Felony punishable under this Act shall be committed within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty of *England* or of *Ireland*, the same shall be dealt with, inquired of, tried, and determined in the same Manner as any other Felony committed within that Jurisdiction.

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· Points relating to Pirates, and so much of an Act passed in the

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" effectual suppressing of Piracy, and so much of an Act passed

' in the Eighteenth Year of the Reign of King George the

Second, intituled An Act to amend an Act made in the Eleventh 18 G. 2. c. 30. ' Year of the Reign of King William the Third, intituled ' An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy,' as relates to ' the Punishment of the Crime of Piracy, or of any Offence • by any of the said Acts declared to be Piracy, or of Acces-' saries thereto respectively:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said several Acts as is herein-before Repeal of referred to shall from and after the Commencement of this Act recited Acts. be and the same is hereby repealed.

IL And be it enacted, That from and after the Commence- Punishment of ment of this Act whosoever, with Intent to commit or at the Piracy when Murder is Time of or immediately before or immediately after committing attempted. the Crime of Piracy in respect of any Ship or Vessel, shall assault, with Intent to murder, any Person being on board of or belonging to such Ship or Vessel, or shall stab, cut, or wound any such Person, or unlawfully do any Act by which the Life of such Person may be endangered, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death as a Felon.

III. And be it enacted, That from and after the Commence- Persons guilty ment of this Act whoseever shall be convicted of any Offence of Piracy to be transported. which by any of the Acts herein-before referred to amounts to the Crime of Piracy, and is thereby made punishable with Death, shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IV. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony Punishment of punishable under this Act every Principal in the Second Degree and every Accessary before the Fact shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

V. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be con-Offences victed of any Offence punishable under this Act for which junishable by Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correc-

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tion, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

VI. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

VII. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence and take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven.

CAP. LXXXIX.

An Act to amend the Laws relating to burning or destroying Buildings and Ships. [17th July 1837.] WHEREAS it is expedient to amend so much of an Act 6 passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign ' of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating ' and amending the Laws in England relative to malicious Injuries ' to Property, and also so much of an Act passed in the Ninth ' Year of the same Reign, intituled An Act for consolidating ' and amending the Laws in Ireland relative to malicious Injuries ' to Property, as relates to any Person who shall unlawfully ' and maliciously set fire to any of the Buildings or Erec-' tions therein respectively mentioned; and so much of the ' same Acts as relates to any Person who shall unlawfully and ' maliciously set fire to any Mine of Coal or Cannel Coal; and ' so much of the same Acts as relates to any Person who shall ' unlawfully and maliciously set fire to or in anywise destroy ' any Ship or Vessel, whether the same be complete or in an ' unfinished State, or who shall unlawfully and maliciously set ' fire to, cast away, or in anywise destroy any Ship or Vessel, ' with Intent thereby to prejudice any Owner or Part Owner of ' such Ship or Vessel, or of any Goods on board the same, or ' any Person that hath underwritten or shall underwrite any · Policy of Insurance upon such Ship or Vessel, or on the Freight ' thereof, or upon any Goods on board the same; and so much ' of the same Acts as relates to any Person who shall exhibit ' any false Light or Signal with Intent to bring any Ship or · Vessel into Danger, or who shall unlawfully and maliciously ' do any thing tending to the immediate Loss or Destruction * of

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' of any Ship or Vessel in distress, or destroy any Part of any • Ship or Vessel which shall be in distress, or wrecked, stranded, ' or cast on shore, or any Goods, Merchandize, or Articles of any Kind belonging to such Ship or Vessel, or who shall by ' Force prevent or impede any Person endeavouring to save ' his Life from such Ship or Vessel (whether he shall be on board or shall have quitted the same); and so much of the same Acts or either of them as relates to any Person who shall unlawfully or maliciously set fire to any Stack of Corn, Grain, 6 Pulse, Straw, Hay, Coals, Turf, Charcoal, or Wood; and so much of the same Acts as relates to the Punishment of · Principals in the Second Degree and of Accessaries before ' and after the Fact respectively to such of the Felonies punish-' able under those Acts as are herein-before referred to:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of Repeal of the said Acts as is herein-before referred to shall continue in force until and throughout the Thirtieth Day of September One thousand eight hundred and thirty-seven, and shall from and after that Day be repealed, except as to Offences committed before or upon the said Thirtieth Day of September, which shall be dealt with and punished as if this Act had not been passed.

II. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and Setting fire to a maliciously set fire to any Dwelling House, any Person being Dwelling House any Person therein, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof being therein. shall suffer Death.

III. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and Setting fire to a maliciously set fire to any Church or Chapel, or to any Chapel Church or for the Religious Worship of Persons dissenting from the Warehouse, &c. United Church of England and Ireland, or shall unlawfully and maliciously set fire to any House, Stable, Coach-house, Outhouse, Warehouse, Office, Shop, Mill, Malthouse, Hopoast, Barn, or Granary, or to any Building or Erection used in carrying on any Trade or Manufacture, or any Branch thereof, whether the same or any of them respectively shall then be in the Possession of the Offender, or in the Possession of any other Person, with Intent thereby to injure or defraud any Person, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IV. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and Setting fire to maliciously set fire to, cast away, or in anywise destroy any Ship or Vessel, either with Intent to murder any Person, or with Intent to whereby the Life of any Person shall be endangered, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death.

V. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully exhibit Hanging out any false Light or Signal, with Intent to bring any Ship or false Lights to Vessel into Danger, or shall unlawfully and maliciously do any wreck. thing

Provisions in recited Acts.

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thing tending to the immediate Loss or Destruction of any Ship or Vessel in distress, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall suffer Death.

VI. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously set fire to or in anywise destroy any Ship or Vessel, whether the same be complete or in an unfinished State, or shall unlawfully and maliciously set fire to, cast away, or in anywise destroy any Ship or Vessel, with Intent thereby to prejudice any Owner or Part Owner of such Ship or Vessel, or of any Goods on board the same, or any Person that hath underwritten or shall underwrite any Policy of Insurance upon such Ship or Vessel, or on the Freight thereof, or upon any Goods on board the same, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VIL And be it enacted, That whosoever shall by Force prevent or impede any Person endeavouring to save his Life from any Ship or Vessel which shall be in distress, or wrecked, stranded, or cast on shore, (whether he shall be on board or shall have quitted the same,) shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

VIII. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously destroy any Part of any Ship or Vessel which shall be in distress, or wrecked, stranded, or cast on shore, or any Goods, Merchandize, or Articles of any Kind belonging to such Ship or Vessel, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

IX. And be it enacted, That whoseever shall unlawfully and maliciously set fire to any Mine of Coal or Cannel Coal shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

X. And be it enacted, That whosoever shall unlawfully and maliciously set fire to any Stack of Corn, Grain, Pulse, Tares, Straw, Haulm, Stubble, Furze, Heath, Fern, Hay, Turf, Peat, Coals, Charcoal, or Wood, or any Steer of Wood, shall be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Offender, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

XI. And

Setting fire to Ships or Vessels with Intent to destroy the same.

Impeding any Person endeavouring to save his Life from any Ship wrecked, &c.

Destroying Wrecks or any Articles belonging thereto.

Setting fire to Coal Mines.

Setting fire to Agricultural Produce, &c.

XI. And be it enacted, That in the Case of every Felony Punishment of punishable under this Act, every Principal in the Second Accessives. Degree and every Accessary before the Fact shall be punishable with Death or otherwise in the same Manner as the Principal in the First Degree is by this Act punishable; and every Accessary after the Fact to any Felony punishable under this Act shall, on Conviction, be liable to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Two Years.

XII. And be it enacted, That where any Person shall be Offences convicted of any Offence punishable under this Act, for which punishable by Imprisonment may be awarded, it shall be lawful for the Court to sentence the Offender to be imprisoned, or imprisoned and kept to hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

XIII. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act Not to affect contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or 546 W.4. Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations con- c. 58. and tained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth 4G.4. c. 64. Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

XIV. And be it enacted, That where any Felony punish- Offences comable under this Act shall be committed within the Jurisdiction mitted within of the Admiralty of England or of Ireland, the same shall be Jurisdiction. dealt with, inquired of, tried, and determined in the same Manner as any other Felony committed within that Jurisdiction.

XV. Provided always, and be it enacted, That nothing in Not to extend this Act contained shall extend to Scotland.

XVI. And be it enacted, That this Act shall commence and Commencetake effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight ment of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

CAP. XC.

An Act to amend the Law relative to Offences punishable by Transportation for Life. [17th July 1837.]

- WHEREAS by an Act passed in the Second and Third
- Years of His late Majesty King William the Fourth's
- ⁶ Reign, intituled An Act for abolishing the Punishment of Death 2 & 3 W. 4. · in c. 62. [No.33. Price 2d.] Κk

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' in certain Cases, and substituting a lesser Punishment in lieu · thereof, Persons convicted of certain Offences therein men-• tioned are liable to be transported beyond the Seas for Life : • And whereas by an Act passed in the Fourth Year of the ' same Reign, intituled An Act to repeal so much of Two Acts ' of the Seventh and Eighth Years and Ninth Year of King George the Fourth as inflicts the Punishment of Death upon · Persons breaking, entering, and stealing in a Dwelling House; ' also for giving Power to the Judges to add to the Punishment of . Transportation for Life in certain Cases of Forgery, and in · certain other Cases, Persons punishable by Transportation for · Life under the said recited Act are liable, previously to their · being transported, in case the Court before whom such Per-• sons shall be convicted shall think fit, to be imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, in the Common Gaol or House of · Correction, or to be confined in the Penitentiary, for any • Term not exceeding Four Years nor less than One Year: • And whereas by the said last-mentioned recited Act every · Person convicted of breaking and entering any Dwelling ' House and stealing therein any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security, to any Value whatever, as Principals or Accessaries · before the Fact, are liable to be transported beyond the Seas ⁶ for Life, or for any Term not less than Seven Years, as the • Court before whom any such Person shall be convicted shall • adjudge, and previously to Transportation are liable to be ' imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, as in that Act • mentioned, for any Term not exceeding Four Years, or are · liable to be imprisoned, with or without hard Labour, in • the Common Gaol or House of Correction for any Term ' not exceeding Four Years nor less than One Year: And " whereas it is expedient to alter and amend the said recited ' Acts;' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said recited Acts as relates to the Punishment of Persons convicted of Offences for which they are liable under the said Act of the Second and Third Years of His said late Majesty's Reign to be transported for Life, and so much of the said Act of the Fourth Year of the said Reign as relates to the Punishment of any Person convicted of the Offence of breaking and entering any Dwelling House and stealing therein as in that Act mentioned, shall from and after the Commencement of this Act be and the same is hereby repealed; and that from and after the Commencement of this Act every Person convicted of any of such Offences shall be liable to be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years, nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

II. And whereas by an Act passed in the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign of King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in Engi land

Repeal of certain Provisions of recited Acts, and new Provision in lieu thereof.

Acts herein recited in part repealed. 7 & 8 G. 4. c. 29. s. 14.

4 W. 4. c. 44.

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land relative to Larceny and other Offences connected therewith, it was enacted, that if any Person should break and enter any Building, and steal therein any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security, such Building being within the Curtilage of a • Dwelling House, and occupied therewith, but not being Part thereof, according to the Provision therein-before mentioned, 6 every such Offender, being convicted thereof (either upon an Indictment for the same Offence, or upon an Indictment for Burglary, Housebreaking, or stealing to the Value of Five 6 Pounds in a Dwelling House, containing a separate Count for such Offence), should be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for Life or for any Term 6 not less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years, and, if a Male, to be once, twice, or thrice publicly or privately whipped (if the Court should so think fit) in addition to such Imprisonment : And whereas 6 by the said last-mentioned Act it was also enacted, that if 6 any Person should break and enter any Shop, Warehouse, or 6 Counting House, and steal therein any Chattel, Money, or valuable Security, every such Offender, being convicted thereof, should be liable to any of the Punishments which the Court might award as herein-before last mentioned: And whereas by the said last-mentioned Act it was also enacted, that if any Person should steal to the Value of Ten Shillings any Goods or Article of Silk, Woollen, Linen, or Cotton, or of any One or more of those Materials mixed with each other or mixed with any other Material, whilst laid, placed, or exposed, during any Stage, Process, or Progress of Manufacture, in any Building, Field, or other Place, every such Offender, being convicted thereof, should be liable to any of the Punishments which the Court might award as herein-before last mentioned: And 6 whereas by the said last-mentioned Act it was also enacted, that if any Person should steal any Goods or Merchandize in any Vessel, Barge, or Boat of any Description whatsoever in any Port of Entry or Discharge, or upon any navigable River or Canal, or in any Creek belonging to or communicating with any such Port, River, or Canal, or should steal any Goods or Merchandize from any Dock, Wharf, or Quay adja-6 cent to any such Port, River, Canal, or Creek, every such Offender, being convicted thereof, should be liable to any of the Punishments which the Court might award as herein-٤ before last mentioned: And whereas by an Act passed in 6 the said Seventh and Eighth Years of the said Reign, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws in England 7 & 8 G. 4. 6 relative to malicious Injuries to Property, it was enacted, that if any Person should unlawfully and maliciously kill, maim, or wound any Cattle, every such Offender should be guilty of · Felony, and being convicted thereof should be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for Life or for any Term not less than Seven Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years, and, if 'a Male, to be once, twice, or thrice publicly or privately K k 2 • whipped

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Repeal of Provisions of recited Acts, and lieu thereof.

Offences punishable by Imprisonment.

Not to affect Powers of 5&6 W.4. e. 38. and 4 G. 4. c. 64.

Limitation of Time of Imprisonment.

' whipped (if the Court should so think fit) in addition to such ' Imprisonment: And whereas by the said last-mentioned Act ' it was also enacted, that if any Person should unlawfully and maliciously cut or otherwise destroy any Hopbinds growing on 6 Poles in any Plantation of Hops, every such Offender should • be guilty of Felony, and being convicted thereof should be ' liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond ' the Seas for Life, or for any Term not less than Seven Years, ' or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Four Years, ' and, if a Male, to be once, twice, or thrice publicly or pri-' vately whipped (if the Court should so think fit) in addition ⁴ to such Imprisonment: And whereas it is expedient to alter ' and amend the said last-mentioned in part recited Acts ? Be it therefore enacted, That so much of the said last-mentioned Acts of the Seventh and Eighth Years of the Reign afortsaid new Provision in as relates to the Punishment of Persons convicted of any of the Offences herein-before specified, as in those Acts contained respectively, shall from and after the Commencement of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed; and every Person convicted after the Commencement of this Act of any of such Offences respectively shall be liable to be transported beyond the Seas for any Term not exceeding Fifteen Years nor less than Ten Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

> III. And be it enacted, That in awarding the Punishment of Imprisonment for any Offence punishable under this Act it shall be lawful for the Court to direct such Imprisonment to be with or without hard Labour in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

> IV. And be it further enacted, That nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to extend to the Alteration or Repeal of any of the Powers, Provisions, or Regulations contained in an Act made and passed in the Fifth and Sixth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King William the Fourth, intituled An Act for effecting greater Uniformity of Practice in the Government of the several Prisons in England and Wales, and for appointing Inspectors of Prisons in Great Britain, or in an Act made and passed in the Fourth Year of His Majesty King George the Fourth, intituled An Act for consolidating and amending the Laws relating to the building, repairing, and regulating of certain Gaols and Houses of Correction in England and Wales.

> V. And whereas by the Laws now in force it is lawful for the Court before whom any Person shall be convicted of ' certain Offences for which Imprisonment or Imprisonment ' with hard Labour may be awarded to direct that the Offender ' shall be kept in solitary Confinement for the Whole or any · Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Im-' prisonment

· prisonment with hard Labour, as to such Court in its Disserver in the second second meet; it is hereby enacted, That from and after the Commencement of this Act it shall not be lawful for any Court to direct that any Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any longer Periods than One Month at a Time, or than Three Months in the Space of One Year.

VI. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall commence Commenceand take effect on the First Day of October One thousand eight ment of Act. hundred and thirty-seven.

CAP. XCI.

An Act for abolishing the Punishment of Death in [17th July 1887.] certain Cases.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the First Year of the Reign of King George the First, intituled An Act for 1 G. 1. c. 5. preventing Tumults and riotous Assemblies, and for the more speedy and effectual punishing the Rioters, it was amongst other • things enacted, that if any Persons to the Number of Twelve · or more, being unlawfully, riotously, and tumultuously assem-· bled together to the Disturbance of the Public Peace, and · being required or commanded by any One or more Justice or ' Justices of the Peace, or by the Sheriff of the County or his Under Sheriff, or by the Mayor, Bailiff or Bailiffs, or other . Head Officer, or Justice of the Peace of any City or Town · Corporate where such Assembly should be, by Proclamation to be made in the King's Name in the Form therein-after ⁶ directed, to disperse themselves, and peaceably to depart to • their Habitations or to their lawful Business, should to the 4 Number of Twelve or more (notwithstanding such Procla-* mation made) unlawfully, riotously, and tumultuously remain ' or continue together by the Space of One Hour after such . Command or Request made by Proclamation, that then such · continuing together to the Number of Twelve or more after such Command or Request made by Proclamation should be ' adjudged Felony without Benefit of Clergy, and the Offen-. ders therein should be adjudged Felons, and should suffer . Death as in case of Felony without Benefit of Clergy; and ' it was also by the said Act further enacted, that if any Person • or Persons did or should, with Force and Arms, wilfully • and knowingly oppose, obstruct, or in any Manner wilfully ' and knowingly let, hinder, or hurt any Person or Persons • that should begin to proclaim or go to proclaim according to * the Proclamation thereby directed to be made, whereby such · Proclamation should not be made, that then every such op-· posing, obstructing, letting, hindering, or hurting such Person 4 or Persons so beginning or going to make such Proclamation • as aforesaid should be adjudged Felony without Benefit of Clergy, and the Offenders therein should be adjudged Felons • and should suffer Death as in case of Felony without Benefit ' of Clergy; and that also every such Person or Persons, so being unlawfully, riotously, and tumultuously assembled to K k 3 ' the

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' the Number of Twelve as aforesaid, or more, to whom Pro-' clamation should or ought to have been made if the same had * not been hindered as aforesaid, should likewise, in case they ' or any of them to the Number of Twelve or more should continue together and not disperse themselves within One ' Hour after such Let or Hindrance so made, having Know-· ledge of such Let or Hindrance so made, should be adjudged ' Felons, and should suffer Death as in case of Felony without ' Benefit of Clergy: And whereas by an Act passed in the ' Twenty-fifth Year of the Reign of King George the Second, ' intituled An Act for better preventing the horrid Crime of Murder; and also by an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland ' in the Thirty-first Year of the Reign of King George the ' Third, intituled An Act to prevent the horrid Crime of Murder; ' and to repeal un Act passed in the Tenth Year of King Henry ' the Seventh, intituled ' An Act to make Murder of Malice ' ' prepense Treason ;' and for repealing an Act made in the Ninth 6 Year of Queen Anne, intituled ' An Act for bringing an Appeal ' ' in case of Murder, notwithstanding the Statute of Henry the " Seventh, whereby Murder is made High Treason;" it was ' amongst other things enacted, that if any Person or Persons ' whatsoever should by Force set at liberty or rescue, or attempt ' to rescue or set at liberty, any Person out of Prison who shall ' be committed for or found guilty of Murder, or rescue or ' attempt to rescue any Person convicted of Murder going to 6 Execution or during Execution, every Person so offending should be deemed, taken, and adjudged to be guilty of Felony, and should suffer Death without Benefit of Clergy: And ' whereas by an Act passed in the Thirty-seventh Year of the ' same Reign, intituled An Act for the better Prevention and · Punishment of Attempts to seduce Persons serving in His Majesty's · Forces by Sea or Land from their Duty and Allegiance to His " Majesty, or to incite them to Mutiny or Disobedience, and also ' by an Act passed in the Parliament of Ireland in the same Year, and bearing the like Title, it was amongst other things 6 enacted, that any Person or Persons who should maliciously 6 and advisedly endeavour to seduce any Person or Persons 6 serving in His Majesty's Forces by Sea or Land from his or · their Duty and Allegiance to His Majesty, or to incite or stir ' up any such Person or Persons to commit any Act of Mutiny, or to make or endeavour to make any mutinous Assembly, or ' to commit any traitorous or mutinous Practice whatsoever, should, on being legally convicted of such Offence, be adjudged guilty of Felony, and should suffer Death as in Cases 6 of Felony without Benefit of Clergy: And whereas by an Act passed in the Fifty-second Year of the same Reign, intituled 52 G. 3. c. 104. An Act to render more effectual an Act passed in the Thirty-' seventh Year of His present Majesty, for preventing the admi-' nistering or taking unlawful Oaths, it was amongst other things enacted, that every Person who should, in any Manner or · Form whatsoever, administer or cause to be administered, or ' be aiding or assisting at the administering of any Oath or Engagement

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S1 G. S. c. 17. s. 10. (I.)

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should henceforth be punishable with Death:' Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if any Person shall after the Com- Abolishing mencement of this Act be convicted of any of the Offences herein-before mentioned, such Person shall not suffer Death or tain Cases. have Sentence of Death awarded against him or her for the same, but shall be liable, at the Discretion of the Court, to be transported beyond the Seas for the Term of the natural Life of such Person, or for any Term not less than Fifteen Years, or to be imprisoned for any Term not exceeding Three Years.

II. And be it enacted, That in awarding the Punishment of Offences Imprisonment for any Offence punishable under this Act it Imprisonment. shall be lawful for the Court to direct such Imprisonment to be with or without hard Labour in the Common Gaol or House of Correction, and also to direct that the Offender shall be kept in solitary Confinement for any Portion or Portions of such Imprisonment, or of such Imprisonment with hard Labour, not exceeding One Month at any one Time, and not exceeding Three Months in any one Year, as to the Court in its Discretion shall seem meet.

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